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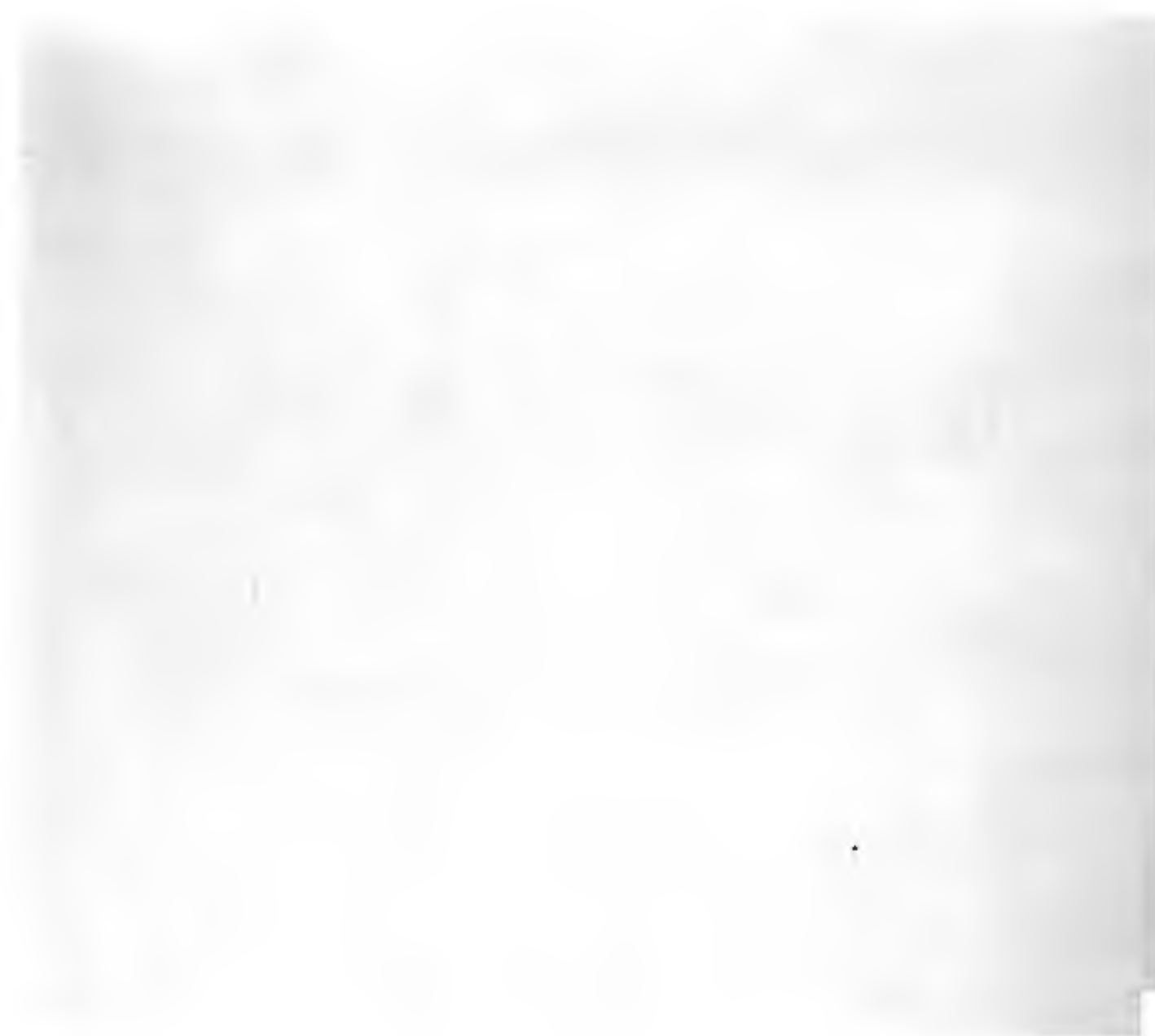
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**AT ITS ANNUAL SESSIONS IN PHILADELPHIA, PA., IN THE
MONTH OF OCTOBER, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE
THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND ONE.**

The sessions began on the 16th and continued until 21st,
adjourning at 11 p. m.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

Synod convened in Heidelberg Reformed church, Nineteenth and Oxford Streets, Philadelphia, Pa., Wednesday, October 16, A. D. 1901, at 8 P. M., according to adjournment.

The Session was opened with religious service. Revs. Drs. S. R. Bridenbaugh and E. N. Kremer officiated at the altar. The opening sermon was preached by the President, Rev. Thomas J. Hacker, from the text recorded in Isaiah 52:1—"Awake, awake, put on thy strength, O Zion, put on thy beautiful garments, O Jerusalem, the holy city."

After the sermon the Holy Communion was celebrated by Synod as a body, all the members participating.

The Synod being opened with prayer, was duly called to order by the President. The provisional roll was called, and a quorum was in attendance.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

1.—From East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers. E. C. Hibshman, S. F. Laury, H. H. Sangree, F. H. Moyer, G. A. Schwedes, W. M. Helfrich.

Elders.—Jacob Rader, Moses George, Thomas Laubach, Samuel Hood.

2.—From Lebanon Classis.

Ministers.—Edward S. Bromer, A. J. Bachman, Thomas A. Yundt, I. Calvin Fisher. . .

Elders.—Samuel Klopp, John L. Saylor, J. B. Moore, W. M. Leinbach.

3.—From Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers. Charles C. Alspach, John H. Sechler, D.D., J. B. Henry, Edward F. Wiest, E. C. Sult, Howard H. Long, Silas L. Messinger.

Elders.—F. G. Hobson, Esq., Jacob S. Sechler, Martin Bushong, William Lettinger, A. B. Fry, Jacob R. Ellis, James Buchanan.

4.—From Lancaster Classis.

Ministers.—John G. Noss, James W. Meminger, John S. Stahr, D.D., E. N. Kremer, D.D., Louis C. Harnish, M. H. Sangree, Albert H. Hibshman.

Elders.—E. H. Burkholder, John J. Nissley, John H. Kurzenknabe, William H. Heitshu, Joseph H. Fouse, Dr. D. Rhine Hertz, Jefferson E. Kershner.

5.—From East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers. Charles B. Schneder, C. D. Kressley, George S. Butz, S. H. Isenberg, Ph.D.

Elders.—Emanuel Ressler, Gustav Horn, William Ditty.

6.—From West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers.—A. A. Black, K. Otis Spessard, Ph.D., George W. Kerschner.

Elders.—Dr. G. W. Hosterman, Dr. F. W. Vandersloot, W. R. Fromm.

7.—From Goshenhoppen Classis.

Ministers. Charles S. Wieand, Thomas H. Leinbach, J. Lucian Roush.

Elders.—O. H. Beiterman, Dr. H. Robb, Henry A. Cole.

8.—From Tohickon Classis.

Ministers.—J. R. Bergey, J. J. Rothrock, J. G. Dubbs, N. Z. Snyder, D.D.

Elders.—Samuel Stover, Leidy Scheip, Reuben Miller.

9.—From Lehigh Classis.

Ministers. J. W. Knappenberger, D. A. Winter, George P. Stem, R. M. Kern, J. P. Bachman, Wilson S. Hartzell.

Elders.—William H. Montz, David Sheirer, B. K. Hamm, Alfred Siegfried, A. M. Neumiller.

10.—From Wyoming Classis.

Ministers.—William Toennis, T. P. Bolliger, C. D. Lerch, G. E. Limbert, William D. Happel.

Elders.—C. A. Wagner, D. R. Williams, G. M. Tobias, A. Oswald.

11.—From Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers.—G. W. Hartman, M. A. Peters, J. G. Kersch-
ner.

Elder.—Francis Matz.

12.—From Reading Classis.

Ministers.—James I. Good, D.D., Henry Mosser, D.D., Calvin S. Gerhard, D.D., S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.

Elders.—B. Y. Shearer, Esq., H. J. Dumn, Esq.

At sundry times the following secundi from the several classes occupied seats of the primarii during their absence: Rev. Wm. J. Kerschner, of Lebanon Classis; Rev. R. C. Zartman and B. Bates, of Philadelphia Classis; Rev. W. B. Werner, of Goshenhoppen Classis; Revs. D. E. Schoedler, D.D., and Rev. Thos. N. Reber, of Lehigh Classis.

Advisory Members Present.

The following advisory members were present at one or more of the sessions of Synod, to wit:

East Pennsylvania Classis.—Rev. Silas P. Mauger.

Lebanon Classis.—Revs. Dr. D. E. Klopp, W. D. Donat, J. Lewis Fluck, W. F. DeLong, P. H. Dippell, Ph.D., Elder Jacob K. Funck.

Philadelphia Classis.—Revs. Drs. Jas. Crawford, Rufus C. Zartman, D.D., Henry T. Spangler, D.D., G. H. Miller, Wm. A. Korn, Ph.D., Chas. H. Coon, D.D., D. U. Wolf, D.D., Cyrus J. Musser, H. A. Bomberger, A. Noll, C. H. Brandt, P. E. Zartman, E. W. Middleton, H. W. Bright, B. Bates, H. E. Jones, J. O. Reagle, Theo. L. Bickel, J. D. Detrich, D. N. Ditt-

mar, Wm. J. Hincke, M. S. Isenberg, F. A. Rupley; Elders H. M. Housekeeper, H. S. Dottera, T. B. Wireback, E. D. Edmunds, James Brown, James Skinner and J. O. Eberhard.

Lancaster Classis.—Revs. Drs. E. V. Gerhart, Jos. H. Dubbs, Warren J. Johnson, J. R. Stein, A. C. Whitmer, D. W. Gerhard, W. F. Lichliter, J. P. Moore, D.D., T. Derr, Thos. S. Land, T. C. Hullhorst, A. C. Geary.

Reading Classis.—Revs. Dr. Jno. W. Steinmetz, Jas. R. Brown, Chas. E. Schaeffer, Geo. W. Gerhard, H. H. Ranck, Elder Daniel Miller.

Lehigh Classis.—Revs. W. W. Deatrick, Geo. W. Richards, Thos. J. Hacker, A. R. Bartholomew, Dr. N. C. Schaeffer, T. W. Dickert.

Tohickon Classis.—Revs. B. F. Luckenbill, B. H. Roth, J. A. Mertz.

Goshenhoppen Classis.—Rev. T. H. Leinbach, Lic. J. F. Dechant, E. W. Lentz, L. K. Evans, D.D., S. M. K. Huber, Lic. Slough.

German Philadelphia Classis.—Revs. G. W. Scheer, W. F. Dumstry, P. Vollmer, D.D., F. W. Berleman, D.D.

East Susquehanna Classis.—Rev. C. D. Yost.

West Susquehanna Classis.—Rev. Wm. A. Haas.

Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod.—Rev. W. S. Fisher, Rev. A. M. Schmidt.

Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod.—Revs. Drs. J. W. Santee and F. F. Bahner.

Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod.—Rev. Chas. K. Levan, J. H. Apple.

North Carolina Classis, Potomac Synod.—Rev. W. B. Duttera, D.D., C. H. Mebane.

Dutch Reformed Church.—Rev. C. F. C. Suckow.

Mennonite Church.—Rev. N. B. Grubb.

Baptist Church.—Rev. Kerr Boyce Tupper, D.D.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The following members of Synod were elected officers for the current Synodical year:

Rev. John S. Stahr, D.D., of Lancaster, President.

Rev. Robert M. Kern, of Allentown, Pa., Cor. Secretary.

Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, of Reading, is Stated Clerk.
 Elder Jno. J. Nissley, of Hummelstown, Pa., Treasurer.
 Rev. I. Calvin Fisher, of Lebanon, Pa., Reading Clerk.

ARTICLE IV. RULES OF ORDER.

The reading of the rules of order was dispensed with.

The President defined the Bar of the House to extend to the twelfth pew from the chancel.

The hours for opening and closing the sessions were from 9 A. M. to 4.30 P. M., with a recess from 12 M., to 1.30 P. M.

ARTICLE V. STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President announced the following Standing Committees:

Religious Services.—Revs. R. C. Zartman, D.D., E. F. Wiest, Elder F. G. Hobson.

Minutes of Synod.—Revs. J. G. Noss, D.D., S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., E. C. Hibshman, Elders G. W. Hasterman, Samuel Klopp.

Minutes of Classes.—Revs. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., E. N. Kremer, D.D., G. P. Stem, Elders William Ditty, E. Ressler.

Overtures.—Revs. E. S. Bromer, L. C. Harnish, G. S. Bates, Elders M. Bushong, Leidy, Sheip.

Examination, Licensure and Ordination.—Revs. James I. Good, D.D., S. H. Isenberg, Ph.D., A. J. Bachman, Elders Daniel Sheirer, J. H. Fouse.

State of the Church.—Revs. C. S. Gerhard, D.D., J. R. Bergey, M. H. Sangree, Elders J. S. Sechler, C. A. Wagner.

Theological Seminary and Franklin and Marshall College.—Revs. C. B. Schneder, Thos. H. Leinbach, A. A. Black, Elders Henry Robb, J. J. Nissley.

Missions.—Revs. J. H. Sechler, D.D., R. M. Kern, J. G. Dubbs, Elders J. H. Kurzenknabe, F. W. Vandersloot.

Finance.—Revs. J. W. Meminger, G. W. Kerschner, T. M. Yundt, Elders J. E. Kershner, Samuel Hood.

Nominations.—Revs. C. S. Wieand, H. Mosser, S. F. Laury, Elders W. H. Heitshu, G. N. Tobias.

Publication.—Revs. G. A. Schwedes, K. O. Spessard, W. S. Hartzel, Elders E. H. Burkholder, Jacob Rader.

Orphan Home and Other Benevolent Institutions. Revs. G. E. Limbert, A. H. Hibshman, M. A. Peters, Elders D. J. Schreiber, O. H. Breitman.

Sunday-schools.—Revs. H. H. Sangree, T. P. Bolliger, C. D. Kressley, Elders Samuel Stover, A. B. Fry.

Reporters for the local daily papers were appointed as follows: Revs. J. P. Bachman, H. H. Sangree, J. K. Bergey, S. L. Messinger, and for the Messenger, Rev. Parley E. Zartman.

ARTICLE VI. COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The minutes of the following Classes, East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination, with the exception of the Reports on the State of the Church and the statistical tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Report of the Treasurer were read. The vacancy occurring in Board of Trustees was referred to Standing Committee on Nominations. Several items in Report of Trustees of Synod were referred to a special committee, and the Treasurer's Report to Committee on Finance.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, the General Synod's Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions were received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

4. The Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Education of the Theological Seminary, also the Report of Franklin and Marshall College were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on College and Seminary.

5. The Annual Report of the Board of Publication of Reformed Church was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Report of General Synod's Sunday-school Board was received and referred to Committee on Sunday-schools.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII. RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were severally opened and closed with religious service.

The Report of Standing Committee on Religious Service was presented at intervals, and finally as a whole and adopted. It is as follows, to wit :

Report on Religious Services.

To the Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Religious Services presents the following report :

Wednesday evening, October 16.—8 o'clock. Sermon by retiring president, the Rev. Thomas J. Hacker, celebration of the Holy Communion, election of a president, and presentation of a historical gavel by the Rev. Prof. J. H. Dubbs, D.D.

Thursday.—8 P. M. Sunday-school and Orphans' Home. Rev. Milton H. Sangree to preside. Speakers: Rev. Charles B. Schneder, "Singleness of Aim"; Rev. Edward S. Bromer, "Some Methods of Sunday-school Work," and Rev. Thomas M. Yundt, "Bethany Orphans' Home."

Friday.—8 P. M. Historical Meeting. Rev. James Crawford, D.D., to preside. Speakers: Rev. Prof. William J. Hinke, "Reformed Traditions"; Rev. Henry C. McCook, D.D., "Reformed Church Consciousness"; Gen. J. E. Roller, "The Reformed Church in Virginia," and Rev. Prof. George W. Richards, "The Historic Spirit."

Saturday.—8 P. M. Higher Education. Rev. I. Calvin Fisher to preside. Addresses by Rev. John S. Stahr, LL.D., "Collegiate Education of our Young Men"; Rev. Prof. J. W. Knappenberger, "Collegiate Education of our Young Women," and Rev. John H. Sechler, D.D., "Theological Training."

SUNDAY SERVICE, OCTOBER 20.

Heidelberg Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Home Missions. President John S. Stahr, D.D., to preside. Addresses

by Rev. G. A. Schwedes and Rev. Albert H. Hibshman, Ph.D. 2.30 P. M., Sunday-school. Elder Thos. B. Wireback to preside. Elder F. G. Hobson, Esq., to teach the Sunday-school lesson. Addresses by Rev. Samuel H. Isenberg, Ph.D., and Rev. E. Clark Hibshman. 6.30 P. M., Young People's Meeting. Addresses by Rev. James R. Bergey, Rev. Morgan A. Peters and Rev. Rufus W. Miller. 7.30 P. M., Foreign Missions, Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., to preside. Addresses by Rev. James I. Good, D.D., and Rev. James P. Moore, D.D.

Bethany Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. David N. Dittmar; 8 P. M., Rev. Charles D. Lerch.

Bethel Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Morgan A. Peters; 8 P. M., Rev. Henry H. Sangree.

Calvary Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. L. C. Harnish; 8 P. M., Rev. Geo. E. Limbert.

Christ Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D.; 4 P. M., Rev. Samuel R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.

First Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Chas. B. Schneder; 8 P. M., Rev. George W. Hartman.

Grace Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Edward S. Bromer; 8 P. M., Rev. K. Otis Spessard, Ph.D.

Messiah Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Jas. I. Good, D.D.; 2.30 P. M., Rev. C. D. Kressley; 8 P. M., Rev. I. Calvin Fisher.

Palatinate Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. H. H. Long; 8 P. M., Rev. Wm. U. Helffrich.

St. John's Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.; 8 P. M., Rev. Dr. S. H. Isenberg.

Tioga Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Wilson S. Hartzell; 8 P. M., Rev. George P. Stem.

Trinity Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Calvin S. Gerhard, D.D.; 8 P. M., Platform Meeting, Elder F. G. Hobson, Esq., Rev. H. H. Long, and Rev. James I. Good, D.D.

Bethlehem German Reformed Church.—8 P. M., Rev. William Toennis.

St. Mark's German Reformed Church.—8 P. M., Rev. G. A. Schwedes.

St. John's German Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Emanuel V. Gerhard, LL.D.

St. Paul's German Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev.

David A. Winter; 8 P. M., Rev. J. G. Kerschner.

Zion's German Reformed Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Wm. Toennes.

Trinity Reformed Church, (Norristown, Pa.).—10.30 A. M., Rev. Milton H. Sangree, D.D.

Reformed Church of the Ascension, (Norristown, Pa.).—10.30 A. M., Rev. Geo. E. Limbert; 8 P. M., Rev. L. C. Harnish.

Christ Reformed Church, (Norristown, Pa.).—10.30 A. M., Rev. F. H. Moyer; 8 P. M., Rev. J. P. Bachman.

St. Paul's Reformed Church, (Fort Washington, Pa.).—10 A. M. and 7.30 P. M., Rev. A. A. Black.

Gethsemane Baptist Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. James W. Meminger.

McDowell Memorial Presbyterian Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Prof. J. W. Knappenberger.

Reformed Episcopal Church of Our Redeemer.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Henry Mosser, D.D.

Messiah Lutheran Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Prof. George W. Richards.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Thomas H. Leinbach; 8 P. M., Rev. Henry Mosser, D.D.

Twentieth Street Methodist Episcopal Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Prof. John H. Sechler, D.D.

Mutchmore Memorial Presbyterian Church.—10.30 A. M., Rev. E. Clark Hibshman.

Reformed Presbyterian Church, Nineteenth and Federal streets.—10.30 A. M., Rev. S. F. Laury.

Schwenkfeldian Church, Thirtieth and Tasker streets.—10.30 A. M., Rev. Robert M. Kern; 8 P. M., Rev. Prof. Wm. J. Hinke.

Respectfully submitted,

RUFUS CALVIN ZARTMAN,
E. F. WIEST, F. G. HOBSON.

ARTICLE VIII.

MINUTES OF EASTERN SYNOD.

The printed copy of Minutes of Synod of 1900 was referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod to note

items requiring the attention of Synod. On Friday morning the report was presented, acted on item by item and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit: .

Report on Minutes of Eastern Synod.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

Your Committee on Minutes of Synod find the following items in last year's acts and proceedings claiming your attention:

Item 1, p. 21. The Classes are instructed to report all congregations which paid in full the apportionments as laid by Synod.

Item 2, p. 43. The Classes are urged to put forth efforts to raise the balance needed to complete the Science Building.

Item 3, p. 64. The term of Daniel Schaffner, as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod, expires January 1, 1902.

Item 4, p. 47. Synod urges the Classes to accept the apportionments made upon them.

Item 5, p. 80. Synod instructs the Classes in reference to Sunday-school statistics and urges the use of the Reformed Lesson Helps.

Item 6, p. 87. The Stated Clerk is directed to have 3,800 copies of the minutes of Synod published.

Item 7, p. 95. Synod requests the Classes to reconstruct large charges and to make it a rule that pastors should live within the bounds of the charges they serve.

Item 8, p. 95. The Classes are requested to consider the advisability of holding special meetings in the fall to consider items referred to them by Synod.

Item 9, p. 97. The term of F. G. Hobson expires as member of the Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools.

Item 10, p. 98. Reports are called for from (a) the Endowment Committee of Franklin and Marshall College, (b) the Committee on Allentown College for Women, (c) and the Permanent Committee of Synod on Sunday-schools.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. G. NOSS,

S. R. BRIDENBAUGH, G. W. HOSTERMAN,
E. CLARK HIBSHMAN, SAMUEL KLOPP.

The action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report is as follows: Items 1, 2, 4, 5, 7, laid on table until Committee on Minutes of Classes reports—items finally adopted. On item 6, see Art. XIX on Publication. On items 3 and 9 see Art. XXII, Miscellaneous. On item 10 (sub-item a) no report; on item 10 (sub-item b) see Art. XV, Finance; on sub-item (c) Art. XVIII on Sunday-schools.

ARTICLE IX.

OVERTURES.

The Standing Committee on Overtures presented its report on Thursday afternoon which was disposed of item by item and finally adopted as a whole, and is as follows, to wit:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Committee on Overtures begs leave to report that the following communication and papers have been referred to it, viz:

Item 1. A communication from the American Anti-Saloon League, (a) inviting this Synod to consider the claims of the League; (b) requesting the election of delegates (with alternates) to the sixth National Convention to be in Washington, December 3-5, 1901.

Item 2. A request to adopt resolution anent the Army Canteen question, from Edw. C. Dinwiddie, National Secretary of the American Anti-Saloon League.

Item 3. The Report of the Society of Relief.

Item 4. An invitation from St. Mark's Reformed Church of Lebanon, Pa., to Synod to hold its next annual meeting (1902) in said church.

Item 5. Request of the General Synod Board of Home Missions to make its report the order of the day at an early session.

Item 6. A communication from the General Board of Home Missions requesting a renewed consideration of the claims of Grace Reformed Mission, Washington, D. C.

Item 7. A copy of "Eternal Life," a book written by Rev. Rufus C. Zartman, D.D., and presented to Synod.

Item 8. Invitation from the Consistory of Zion's Reformed Church, Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to hold its next annual session in said church.

Item 9. An appeal to Synod to provide for the preparation of a memorial catalogue of the Historical Exhibit.

Item 10. An invitation to Synod from the pastor of the First Reformed, Easton, Pa., to hold its next annual meeting in said church.

Item 11. Two copies of the Decennial Catalogue of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,

EDW. S. BROMER,

L. C. HARNISH, MARTIN BUSHONG,
G. S. BUTZ, LEIDY SCHEIP.

The action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report is as follows: Items 1 and 2 with sub-items was referred to a Special Committee consisting of Revs. Drs. Jno. G. Noss, S. R. Bridenbaugh, W. H. Happel and Elders Wm. Lettinger and W. H. Montz, who presented their report on the 5th day of the sessions, discussed and laid on table. On item 3, see Art. XX, on Orphan Home, and Other Benevolent Institutions. On items 4, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11, see Art. XXII, Miscellaneous. On items 5, 6, see Art. XIV, on Missions.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSES.

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes presented its report on Friday morning, which was considered item by item, amended, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes begs leave to present the following report. The minutes of all the Classes for the past year have been placed in our hands. From these the following items have been obtained, namely:

1.—Irregularities.

Lebanon Classis fails to give the date of a special meeting, pp. 2, 3.

East Susquehanna Classis fails to make record of the report of a committee on installation.

II.—Requests.

1. *Philadelphia Classis* overtures Synod concerning special meeting of Classes to follow meeting of Synod, pp. 49, 50.

2. *Lancaster Classis* requests synod (a) to direct its Stated Clerk and Corresponding Secretary to communicate all action requiring action by the Classes within one week after the meeting of Synod, p. 38.

3. (b) Secondly, it petitions Synod to create the office of Statistical Secretary, p. 56.

4. *Lehigh Classis* overtures Synod to fix an early date for the publication and distribution of the Minutes of Synod, p. 33.

5. *Wyoming Classis* requests Synod to reconsider its action in reference to the entertainment of delegates at the meeting of Synod, p. 47.

6. *East Susquehanna Classis* overtures Synod to consider the advisability of holding its annual meetings in the spring just before the meetings of Classes, p. 39.

7. *Reading Classis* overtures Synod to take such action as may influence the Congress of United States to pass the anti-polygamy amendment to the constitution of the United States, and as will bring the petitions to this effect before the members of their congregations, p. 25.

III.—Appeal.

An appeal from the Buffalo Valley charge from a certain action of West Susquehanna Classis to this body, pp. 20, 21.

IV.—Subjects Referred.

1. East Pennsylvania, Lehigh, Lancaster and Schuylkill Classes report the following charges as having paid their apportionments in full:

East Pennsylvania.—Christ Church, Bath; First Church, Easton; Dryland; Salem, Catasauqua; Freemansburg; Memorial, Easton; Siegfried; Stemton; Weissport; St. Mark's Easton.

Lehigh.—Christ Church, Packerton; St. John's, Allentown; Salem, Allentown; Zion, Allentown; Slatington; Summit Hill; Grace, South Allentown.

Lancaster.—Columbia; Salem Church, Heller's; Hum-

melstown; Maytown; Millersville; New Holland; Quarryville; Steelton; Rohrerstown; Willow Street; Faith, Lancaster; First Church, Lancaster; St. Stephen's, Lancaster; Salem Church, Harrisburg; Second Church, Harrisburg; Zwingli, Harrisburg; Fourth, Harrisburg; St. John's, Harrisburg.

2. All other subjects referred to the several Classes were favorably acted upon with the following exception:

(a) *East Pennsylvania Classis* referred the subject matter concerning the advisability of the Classes holding a special session after the annual meeting of Synod to a committee which failed to report within the Synodical year. p. 21.

(b) *Lebanon Classis* does not assume the full apportionment, p. 10, and makes its vote conditional in regard to holding a special meeting of Classis in the fall of the year. p. 13.

(c) *West Susquehanna Classis* does not acquiesce in the action of Synod in laying down a rule not to accept hereafter invitations for free entertainment of Synod. p. 36.

(d) It does not approve the request to hold a special meeting of Classis immediately after the adjournment of Synod.

(e) It does not accept the full apportionment for Home and Foreign Missions, p. 40, and it makes no apportionment for German Missions, Catawba College and Allentown College for Women, but commends them favorably to the liberality of the people. p. 40.

(f) *Goshenhoppen Classis* declines to accept the apportionment for German Missions. p. 11.

(g) *Tohickon Classis* can not comply with the request to report the names of charges which have paid their apportionments in full. p. 15.

(h) *Lchigh Classis* adopted the request that Synod make it a rule that pastors should live within the bounds of the charges they serve, p. 33. but cannot at this time comply with said request.

(i) *Wyoming Classis* does not deem it advisable to hold special meeting immediately after the adjournment of Synod p. 46.

(j) *East Susquehanna Classis* does not deem it advisable to hold a special meeting immediately after the adjournment of Synod. p. 39.

(k) *Reading Classis* voted against holding a special session

in the fall of the year after the adjournment of Synod to consider items referred and cites its reasons for so doing. p. 64.

V.—Licensed, Ordained, Received and Dismissed.

1. *East Pennsylvania Classis* licensed May, '01, Elijah E. Kresge and Irvin H. Long; dismissed May 14, '01, Rev. T. O. Stem to Wyoming Classis and on August 8, '01, Rev. Thos. H. Krick to Lehigh Classis; received August 8, '01, from Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod, Rev. I. M. Beaver. Rev. John Wolbach having died January 28, '01, at Catasauqua, Pa., and Rev. Thos. C. Porter, D.D., at Easton, Pa., their names disappear from the roll.

2. *Lebanon Classis* licensed May 22, '01, J. Thomas Fox and H. L. Fogleman; received May 22, '01, Licentiate D. K. Laudenslager from Goshenhoppen Classis, and Licentiate W. F. DeLong from Lehigh Classis; dismissed May 22, '01, Licentiate H. L. Fogleman to Lehigh Classis; dismissed June 28 '01, Licentiate J. Thomas Fox to Carlisle Classis, Potomac Synod, and Rev. H. H. Ranck to Reading Classis. Rev. J. E. Hiester, D.D., having died January 7, '01, his name disappears from the Classical roll.

3. *Philadelphia Classis* licensed May 16, '01, Messrs. Peter M. Orr and Wm. H. Miller; received March 6, '01, Rev. Frederick A. Rupley, Jr., from Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod, Rev. Thos. L. Bickel, June 20, '01, from West Susquehanna Classis, and Rev. C. D. Yost from Schuylkill Classis; dismissed March 25, '01, Rev. J. Hunter Watts and Rev. Warren J. Johnson to Lancaster Classis; Rev. Walter B. Jorris to Heidelberg Classis, Central Synod, Licentiate Peter M. Orr to Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior, Licentiate Wm. H. Miller to Illinois Classis, Synod of Interior; and June 20, '01, Rev. George W. Royer to East Susquehanna Classis. Rev. Glase Gerhard having died his name disappears from the roll.

4. *Lancaster Classis* licensed May 19, '01, Thaddeus G. Helm, Adolph Wm. Kaske, Carl W. B. Long, Henry H. Rupp, Robert J. Pilgram; received October 25, '00, Licentiate Albert N. Stubblebine from the Classis of Philadelphia; received May 20, '01, Licentiate H. R. Kreider from West Susquehanna Classis; ordained July 11, '00, Licentiate Allen K. Faust; received July 5, '01, Licentiate Wm. Stuart Cramer from Mary-

land Classis, Potomac Synod; received March 30, '01, Rev. J. Hunter Watts from Philadelphia Classis; received May 17, '01, Rev. Warren J. Johnson from Philadelphia Classis; received July 5, '01, Rev. Thos. S. Land from Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; received September 5, '01, Rev. Tilghman Derr from West Susquehanna Classis; dismissed October 25, '00, Rev. B. H. Roth to Tohickon Classis; dismissed October 25, '00, Rev. W. H. Landis to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod; dismissed November 8, '00, Rev. B. F. Bausman to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod; dismissed January 24, '01, Rev. John D. Hicks to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod; dismissed June 17, '01, Lic. H. H. Rupp to Reading Classis; dismissed May 18, '01, Lic. Victor W. Dippell to German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of the East; dismissed July 5, '01, Lic. R. J. Pilgram to Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod; dismissed July 30, '01, Lic. A. W. Kaske to German Maryland Classis, German Synod of the East.

5. *West Susquehanna Classis* licensed May 18, '01, Henry R. Kreider and John H. Keller; received June 15, '01, Licentiate David I. Schaffner from Lehigh Classis; dismissed May 18, '01, Licentiates John H. Keller to North Carolina Classis, Synod of the Potomac, and Henry R. Kreider to Lancaster Classis; Rev. Thomas L. Bickel June 7, '01, to Philadelphia Classis; Rev. John L. Barnhart, July 29, '01, to St. Paul's Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; Rev. Tilghman Derr, August 30, '01, to Lancaster Classis; and Rev. J. C. Leinbach having died April 24, 1901, his name disappears from the roll.

6. *East Susquehanna Classis* received July 9, '01, Rev. G. W. Royer from Philadelphia Classis, and dismissed March 18, '01, Rev. N. W. Sechler to Gettysburg Classis, Synod of the Potomac.

7. *Goshenhoppen Classis* licensed May 15, '01, William C. Slough and Daniel K. Laudenslager and dismissed the latter to Lebanon Classis; received May 14, '01, Rev. O. R. Frantz from Lehigh Classis, and Rev. J. Abner Hunsicker, June 15, '01, from Iowa Classis, Synod of the Interior; dismissed May 14, '01, Licentiate C. A. Mohr to the Kokomo Association of the Congregational Society, Ohio. Rev. A. L. Dechant having died March 25, '01, his name disappears from the roll.

8. *Tohickon Classis* received October 26, '00, Rev. B. Howard Roth from Lancaster Classis; licensed May 21, '01, Wm. F. Curtis and Wm. E. Harr; dismissed May 21, '01, Lic. Wm. F. Curtis to Kansas Classis, Synod of the Interior, and Lic. Wm. E. Harr, September 23, '01, to Reading Classis.

9. *Lehigh Classis* dismissed April 30, '01, Rev. O. R. Frantz to Goshenhoppen Classis; licensed May 21, '01, David I. Schaeffer, William G. Seiple, William F. DeLong and William A. Reimert; dismissed May 21, '01, Lic. David I. Schaeffer to West Susquehanna Classis, and Lic. William F. DeLong to Lebanon Classis; ordained July 15, '00, Licentiate Joshua H. Bartholomew; July 9, '00, Robert M. Kern; ordained November 25, '00, Lic. Scott R. Wagner; received May 31, '01, Lic. H. L. Fogleman; received August 15, '01, Rev. Thomas H. Krick from East Pennsylvania Classis; received, same date, Rev. R. S. Appel from the German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of the East. Revs. Jared Fritzinger having died September 25, '00; Dr. W. R. Hofford, January 31, '01; M. H. Dieffenderfer, February 27, '01, and Rev. B. Weiss, April 12, '01, their names disappear from the roll.

10. *Schuylkill Classis* dismissed July 15, '01, Rev. Calvin D. Yost to Philadelphia Classis.

11. *Wyoming Classis* dismissed November 8, '00, Rev. W. J. Muir to St. Paul's Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; dismissed December 10, '00, Rev. G. S. Sorber to Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod; ordained June 19, '00, Lic. P. H. Hoover; received May 20, '01, Rev. T. O. Stem from East Pennsylvania Classis; received May 20, '01, Rev. E. M. Beck from Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod; licensed May 21, '01, Mr. George W. Kerstetter and dismissed him, May 22, '01, to Illinois Classis, Synod of the Interior.

12. *Reading Classis* received October 8, '00, Rev. C. E. Creitz from Juniata Classis, Synod of the Potomac, and Rev. Paul S. Deppen from St. Joseph's Classis, Ohio Synod; June 10, '01, Licentiate Harry H. Rupp from Lancaster Classis; June 16, '01, Rev. Henry H. Ranck from Lebanon Classis; September 30, '01, Licentiate Wm. E. Harr from Tohickon Classis; dismissed January 28, '01, Rev. Stanley L. Krebs to Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; April 16, '01, Rev.

M. A. Kieffer to Virginia Classis, Synod of the Potomac; licensed Howard Obold, June 10, '01, and dismissed him to Juniata Classis, Synod of the Potomac; ordained June 23, '01, Lic. Harry H. Rupp. Rev. F. B. Hahn died May 16, '01, his name disappears from the roll.

VI.—Place and Time of Next Annual Meeting.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis will meet in Salem church, Pleasant Valley, Monroe county, Pa., May 5, A.D. 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. I. M. Bachman, President; Rev. J. G. Rupp, Stated Clerk; Rev. F. H. Moyer, Treasurer.

2. Lebanon Classis will meet in Grace Reformed church, Richland, Lebanon county, Pa., on Monday before Ascension Day, May 5, A.D. 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, President; Rev. W. D. Donat, Stated Clerk; Jacob K. Funck, Treasurer.

3. Philadelphia Classis will meet in Christ Reformed church, 16th and Green streets, Philadelphia, Pa., May 13, 1902, at 8.00 p. m. Rev. C. B. Alspach, President; Rev. J. B. Henry, Treasurer; Rev. J. H. Sechler, D.D., Stated Clerk.

4. Lancaster Classis will meet in St. Paul Reformed church, Quarryville, Lancaster county, Pa., Thursday, April 24, 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. J. G. Dengler, President; Rev. J. H. Pennebecker, Treasurer; Rev. D. W. Gerhard, Stated Clerk.

5. East Susquehanna Classis will meet in Trinity Reformed church, Georgetown, Pa. (P. O. Dalmatia, Pa.), May 5, 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. Robt. O'Boyle, President; Elder Geo. Hill, Treasurer; Rev. C. H. Mutschler, Stated Clerk.

6. West Susquehanna Classis will meet in Christ Reformed church, Adamsburg, Snyder county, Pa., the second Wednesday of May, 1902, at 7.30 o'clock p. m. President Rev. W. A. Haas, Treasurer and Stated Clerk.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis will meet in Wentz Reformed church, Worcester, Montgomery county, Pa., on May 5th, A.D. 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. J. L. Roush, President; Rev. C. S. Wieand, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

8. Tohickon Classis will meet in Christ church, Hellertown, Pa., on Monday after Ascension Day, May 12, A.D. 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. Jas. R. Bergey, President; Rev. N.

2. Snyder, Stated Clerk, and Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Treasurer.

9. Lehigh Classsis will meet in Trinity Reformed church, Allentown, Pa., May 12th, A.D., 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D., President; Rev. D. E. Schoedler, D.D., Stated Clerk; Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, Treasurer.

10. Schuylkill Classes will meet in Trinity Reformed church, Pinegrove, Pa., second Monday in May, 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. E. S. Noll, President; Rev. O. H. Strunck, Treasurer; Rev. W. D. Stoyer, Stated Clerk.

11. Wyoming Classes will meet in Trinity Reformed church, Strawberry Ridge, Pa., on Monday, June 2, A.D., 1902, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. A. H. Herbst, President; Rev. C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk; Rev. A. Houtz, Treasurer.

12. Reading Classsis will meet in Alsace Reformed church, April 21, A.D., 1902, at 7.30 p. m.. Reading, Pa. Rev. Geo. W. Gerhard, President; Rev. Dr. S. R. Bridenbaugh, Stated Clerk; Rev. Jno. W. Steinmetz, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Z. SNYDER,

GEORGE STEM, EMANUEL RESSLER.

ELLIS N. KREMER, W. M. DITTY.

The action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report is as follows: The items 1 and 2 under the head of Irregularities were adopted. Items 1 and 2 and 6 were laid on table and subsequently referred to the Committee on Minutes of Classes to whom was referred the action of the Classes on the advisability of holding special meeting of Classes soon after the meeting of Synod, see Art. XVI Appeals and References. On items 3 and 5 see Art. XXI, Church Government. On item 4, Instruction given to Stated Clerk to have minutes published and distributed as early as possible. Item 7 was referred to a special committee whose report on account of lateness of the hour was laid on table. For action on Appeal see Art. XVI, Appeals and References. In regard to the failure of Lebanon, W. Susquehanna and Goshenhoppen Classes in accepting the full apportionment; Synod expressed its regrets. All the items under the head of Licensure, Ordination, Reception and Dismission, also the items in regard to time and place of next annual meetings of Classes were severally adopted.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination and Licensure presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your Committee on Licensure and Ordination would report that no papers have come into its hands and that there have been no application for licensure.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES I. GOOD,
S. H. ISENBERG,
JOSEPH H. FAUSE.

ARTICLE XII.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The report of the Standing Committee on the State of the Church was presented during the session on Monday evening and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

Report on State of the Church in the Eastern Synod.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN.—Your Committee on the State of Religion and Morals begs leave to offer the following report:

In carefully reviewing the reports presented by the various Classes we find them to be in the main encouraging. They are pervaded by a deep spirit of gratitude and hopefulness. In every Classis some aggressive work has been done. In many of the Classes the Twentieth Century Movement had a stimulating effect, called out larger contributions, and brought about an increase of membership, especially in the Sunday-schools. Numerous conventions were held, whereby the people were better informed in reference to the history, and also in regard to the present activities of our Church, causing them to take a deeper interest in her educational, missionary and other benevolent operations, and inducing them to furnish these enterprises more liberal and hearty support.

An unusual number of old churches were renovated during the past year, and many new ones were erected, evidencing the fact that ministers and people are alive to the importance of giving the very best of their material possessions to the Lord. There seems to have been increased activity all along the line for which we return our devout and heartfelt thanks to Almighty God.

Whether, however, there has also been a real improvement among ourselves and among our people in religion and morals is an open question. The tide of worldliness and sin is so strong that we have cause for thankfulness, if there is even no retrogression. To stand firm against the wiles of the devil and the seductions of sin requires much grace: to overcome them and make progress requires more grace. There is certainly room for improvement and the whole Church needs to be aroused to the danger of encroachments on the part of all kinds of vice and immorality. The world is constantly endeavoring to corrupt the Church. Are we doing our duty in this respect? It is certainly a question whether we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world as fully as our Saviour wishes us to be.

The regular routine work of the ministry has been carried forward, in most instances, with faithfulness and regularity, and in many cases with enthusiasm. This fact is not to be despised or overlooked. Most of the best work is done by those who labor quietly and patiently, in season and out of season, without ostentation, noticed and observed only by Him whom our Blessed Lord has taught us to call our Father.

There has been much sickness and there have been many transitions from earth to heaven among the people whom we represent. During the year an unusual number of our ministers also exchanged the cross for the crown. Some of them entered the Church triumphant in a good old age, after they had worn themselves out in the service of their Lord. Others passed away in the glow of their young manhood, with the fire of enthusiasm burning in their hearts, and the breath of aspiration full upon their lips. We cannot solve the hidden mystery, connected with their early decease, but with the hush of silence lying upon our faltering tongues we look up out of our stony griefs and begin to whisper, in broken accents: "It is God's way. His will, not ours, be done." And then we take up the burdens of life more earnestly than ever, and rejoice because He lives and they live, and we also may know Him and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings.

One of the most difficult problems before the Classes was the question of the apportionments. They all wrestled with it, and as it seems to us, with more earnestness than ever before. In a few charges only has there been negligence in this respect,

but there are congregations and pastors who still fail to appreciate the blessedness of giving.

From the statistical table, compared with that of last year, we learn that the following gains were made: In the number of ministers, 3; in the communicant membership, 3,625; in the number of Sunday-schools, 22; in the number of Sunday-school scholars, 11,992; in the number of Sunday-school teachers and officers, 1,881; in contributions for benevolence, \$13,365.

With this imperfect statement of what has been accomplished, we leave the year's work with Him to whom we must all give account. We look hopefully into the future, and pray God for His sustaining grace, that we may carry forward the work of His kingdom in the Name of His dear Son, our Lord, to whom, with the Father and the Holy Ghost be all honor and glory, world without end. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,
C. S. GERHARD, M. H. SANGREE,
JAMES RILEY BERGEY, J. S. SECHLER.

Ministerial Necrology.

In memory to departed brethren, referred to in the report on the State of the Church, this brief record of their service in the Gospel ministry prepared by the Stated Clerk, was read at the close of the sessions, and is herewith, by instruction of Synod, incorporated in its Minutes:

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. During the Synodical year, twelve ministers, members of the Eastern Synod, have passed beyond the sphere of toil and care, pain and weakness, sorrow and sin, into the glory and joy of a sinless and perfect life to go no more out forever.

REV. JONATHAN EBLING HIESTER, D.D.

Died Jan. 7, A.D., 1901.

Jonathan E. Hiester was born June 5, 1826, in Bern township, Berks county, Pa. His boyhood was spent on the farm, and his opportunities to obtain an education in his youth were very meagre. Having conceived the idea of preparing himself for the ministry, he was encouraged by his pastor, the venerable Thomas Leinbach, beginning his studies at the age of

twenty, while attending the Academy at Myerstown, and subsequently at Womelsdorf, Pa. These were continued in the institutions at Mercersburg, graduating with honor in Marshall College in the class of 1851, and in the following year in the Theological Seminary. In 1852, September 1, he was ordained and installed as pastor of the Palmyra charge, consisting of five congregations, viz.: Annville, Bellegrove, Campbellstown, Palmyra and Bindnagle. In 1865 the charge was reconstructed by detaching Bellegrove and Bindnagle congregations and adding the Hill Church, which from henceforth is known as the Annville charge, which was faithfully served by Dr. Hiester to close of his ministry. For 31 years he held the office of Stated Clerk of Lebanon Classis and for nine and one-half years he served as chief editor of the Reformed Sunday-school Lesson Helps. He was one of the founders of Palatinate College and continued a faithful member of its Executive Board to the close of its history. For nearly seven years he served as a member of the Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa. In 1877 his Alma Mater conferred upon him the title of D.D. After a lingering illness of several months, at the end of a resplendent ministry, death came and closed his mortal career at the age of 74 years, 5 months and 2 days. The funeral service was held in Christ church, Annville, Pa., and his earthly remains were buried in an adjoining cemetery.

Dr. Hiester was married twice. In his early ministry he was married to Miss Price, of Mercersburg, Pa. From this marital union one son is surviving, namely, John P. Hiester, a printer, residing in Chicago, Ill. His second wife was Miss Mary Marshall, of Annville, who with three children, viz: Rev. Anselm V., professor in Franklin and Marshall College, Ambrose M. and Miss Lizzie Hiester, residing in their native village, survive to lament the death of him who was a kind husband and affectionate father.

REV. JOHN WOLBACH.

Died Jan. 28, A. D., 1901.

John Wolbach, son of David and Anna Lehr Wolbach, was born January 8, 1836, dedicated to God in infancy by baptism administered by Rev. Thomas Pomp, and admitted by confirma-

tion December 21, 1852, to full communion in the Reformed Church at Hecktown, Northampton county, Pa., by Rev. E. H. Helfrich.

He pursued his literary and theological education for six years privately under the direction of Revs. E. W. Reinecke and M. A. Smith.

He was licensed in 1858 by East Pennsylvania Classis and ordained by East Susquehanna Classis in 1879 to the Christian ministry, as pastor of Overton charge, Bradford county, Pa. In 1871 he was called to the Mahanoy charge, and in 1876 to the Paradise charge, Clearfield county, Pa., which he served eight years.

On account of failing health he was constrained to relinquish the active duties of the pastorate. While living in retirement in his native county, he served two years as chaplain of the Northampton Almshouse, and as occasion permitted, assisted neighboring pastors in conducting religious services.

He ended his earthly career January 28, 1901, at the age of 65 years and 20 days. The funeral services were held in Salem Reformed church, Catasauqua, Pa., and the mortal remains were interred in the cemetery at Hecktown, Pa.

He was married February 15, 1857, to Miss Sarah A. Hellick, and the marital union was blessed with eight children, of which number one daughter and three sons are living. These, with the bereaved widow, and a brother in the ministry at Wooster, O., are surviving to mourn his departure.

REV. WILLIAM R. HOFFORD, D.D.

Died Jan. 31, 1901.

William R. Hofford, son of Joseph and Sarah Hofford, was born May 8, 1833, in Upper Saucon township, Lehigh county, Pa., and confirmed October 12, 1850 in Zion's Reformed church, Allentown, Pa. His preliminary education was obtained in the public schools, qualifying him to become a teacher in a district school.

In 1851 he was admitted as a scholar in the Allentown Seminary; in 1855 he was graduated in Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster, Pa., and in 1857 in the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa. After his graduation, he accepted the appointment of teacher of Latin and Greek in Cum-

berland Valley Institute, Mechanicsburg, Pa., which position he held for several years. He was licensed May 12, 1858, to the Gospel ministry. For one year he filled the position as teacher of Ancient Languages in the Allentown Seminary. He subsequently became principal and continued in this service to 1864. He was ordained and installed February 1, 1863, as pastor of Lower Saucon congregation. In the following year, Williams township congregation was added to his charge, and he continued to serve these two congregations until 1869. He supplied the congregation at Freemansburg from May 1, 1869 to September 29, 1872, and also South Whitehall from May 3, 1863. In 1867 he was elected professor of Latin Language and Literature in Muhlenberg College. In 1868 he was elected President of Female College in Allentown, which he filled with credit to himself for five successive years. In 1883 he was called to the Egypt charge, consisting of four congregations, which he served to the close of his life. After suffering several years with rheumatism, his ailment finally culminated in apoplexy. He died January 31, at the age of 67 years, 5 months and 23 days. The funeral service was held February 4th, in St. James Reformed church, and his mortal remains were buried in Union cemetery, Allentown, Pa.

Rev. Hofford was married October 1, 1861, to Carrie, daughter of George P. and Caroline Weil. The bereaved wife and her two daughters survive the death of her departed husband. "He was a faithful man and feared God above many."

REV. CHARLES H. KNIGHT.

Died Feb. 5, A.D., 1901.

Charles H. Knight, eldest son of Montford and Mrs. Jane (Bachman) Knight, was born November 18, 1871, baptized in infancy and confirmed in 1889 in Christ Reformed church, Bethlehem, Pa.

He received his classical training in Ulrich's Academy and was graduated in 1896 in the Moravian College in his native town, and in 1899 in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa. He was duly elected and ordained October 12, 1899, as pastor of the charge at Clearspring, Md. On account of physical infirmities, after three-month's service in the active ministry, he was obliged to relinquish his work and subject himself

to a surgical operation. He subsequently resumed his work, but his strength did not permit him to continue. Earnest efforts were made to prolong his usefulness, but all was of no avail. For six months he patiently bore his sufferings, when it was realized that the end was drawing nigh. With the song upon his lips "There is Sunshine in My Soul Today," he gently fell asleep February 5, 1901, at the age of 29 years, 2 months and 17 days, leaving a widowed mother, two brothers and a sister to lament his early departure. The funeral service was held in Christ church, Bethlehem, Pa., February 8, 1901, and the body was interred in a neighboring cemetery.

REV. MOSES HENRY DIEFENDERFER.

Died Feb. 28, A.D., 1901.

Moses H. Diefenderfer, son of John and Sarah Ann Diefenderfer, was born August 16, 1846, at Steckel Hill, near Allentown, Pa. He received his primary education in the common schools. In his youth he learned the trade of shoemaking. He renewed his studies by attending Allentown Seminary, entered Franklin and Marshall College in 1869, from which he was graduated in 1873, and from the Theological Seminary in Lancaster, in 1876. He was licensed to preach the Gospel by East Pennsylvania Classis, and during his ministry occupied the following charges, viz: from 1876 to 1881, the Plum Creek charge in Armstrong county, Pa.; from 1881 to 1884 the Beam charge in Somerset county Pa.; and from 1884 to the close of his life, Christ church, Allentown, Pa.

On account of increasing infirmities he was constrained to resign his charge in January last. His physical sufferings were terminated by a stroke of apoplexy on February 28, 1901, bringing his age to 57 years, 6 months and 11 days. During his pastorate in his last charge he served 12 years as Stated Clerk, and four years as Treasurer of Lehigh Classis. He was an earnest and faithful laborer in the vineyard of the Lord. A bereaved wife, an only son and his aged father survive to mourn his departure. The funeral service was held March 2d, 1901, in Christ church, Allentown, Pa., and his mortal remains were interred in Fairview cemetery.

REV. AUGUSTUS L. DECHANT.

Died March 25, A. D., 1901.

Augustus L. Dechant, son of Jacob and Mary Dechant, was born January 26, 1823, at Sanatoga, Montgomery county, Pa. He was baptized in infancy and confirmed in his youth in Keelys Reformed church, Limerick township. In his boyhood he learned the trade of tailoring, at which trade he served nine years. Having realized a call to the ministry, he attended the institutions at Mercersburg for a season. Finding favorable opportunities for study nearer home, he pursued for a period of four years a theological course privately. In 1851, Goshenhoppen Classis licensed him to preach the Gospel and ordained him as a missionary to labor within its bounds. For a quarter of a century he labored as pastor of the congregation in Frederick township; he served Christ church in Douglas township; the Reformed church at Hilltown, Bucks county, and the congregation at Sumneytown. In 1862, the congregations of Old Goshenhoppen, Keelor, Sumneytown and Pennsburg were organized into a charge and Rev. Dechant chosen pastor. He continued his labors in this charge until 1894, when, by reason of failing health, he felt constrained to resign. He was a descendant from a ministerial line. His father and his grandfathers on the paternal and maternal side were ministers. Two of his brothers, who preceded him to the eternal world, were engaged in the same vocation.

After a protracted illness, he died suddenly by apoplexy, March 25, 1901, at the age of 78 years, 1 month and 29 days. The funeral services were held March 27, 1901, in Reformed church, Pennsburg, Pa., and the mortal remains interred in the adjoining cemetery. Rev. Dechant was married May 2, 1854, to Miss Amanda Stauffer. This marital union was blessed with 10 children, five sons and five daughters, nine of whom, with the bereaved widow, survive to mourn his departure. Rev. Abner S. Dechant, of Lisbon, Ia., Rev. J. Frank Dechant, business manager of the Sunday-school Board, Philadelphia, are sons, and the wife of Rev. J. L. Roush is a daughter of the deceased.

REV. J. CALVIN LEINBACH.

Died April 23, A.D., 1901.

J. Calvin Leinbach, a son of Rev. Dr. Charles H. and Harriet M. (Forry) Leinbach, was born November 6, 1845, at Landisburg, Pa.

In his early youth he attended the schools at Landisburg and Lewisburg, Pa. He was graduated at Franklin and Marshall College in 1868, and three years later in the Theological Seminary. He was licensed in 1877, and ordained in 1878 by Lebanon Classis, as an assistant to his father in the Tulpehocken charge. In 1880 he was called to the Reigelsville charge, and in 1884 to the Sunbury charge, which he served faithfully for fourteen years. On account of ill health he removed to Reading in 1899, where he occasionally assisted different brethren in the Church as they had occasion to make use of his service. After partially regaining his health, he supplied the Lykens charge and finally accepted the pastorate. During the Easter season he confirmed a class of catechumens, and on Good Friday broke down. He was stricken with pneumonia, which resulted in his death, April 23, 1901, at the age of 55 years, 5 months and 17 days.

Rev. J. C. Leinbach was married to Martha Poore, of Riegelsville, Pa., who, with seven children, and two brothers and a sister of the deceased, survive to mourn his departure.

Rev. Leinbach was Stated Clerk of East Susquehanna Classis for fourteen years. He had a warm, kind and genial disposition. He was an acceptable minister of the Gospel, and the life in his home was beautiful. He rests from his labors and his works do follow him.

REV. THOMAS CONRAD PORTER, D.D., LL.D.

• *Died April 27, A.D., 1901.*

Thomas Conrad Porter was born January 22, A.D., 1822, at Alexandria, Pa. He was graduated in 1840 at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., and three years later at the Theological Seminary, Princeton, N. J. He was called in 1846 to a Presbyterian Mission at Monticello, Ga., and in 1848 he became pastor of the newly organized Second Reformed church at Reading, Pa.

In 1849 he was elected to the Professorship of Natural

Sciences in Marshall College, Mercersburg, Pa., and held that position when the institution was removed to Lancaster and consolidated with Franklin College.

In 1866 he tendered his resignation as Professor in Franklin and Marshall College and accepted a similar position in his Alma Mater at Easton, Pa., which position he honorably filled for 35 years. In connection with his college duties he served seven years as pastor of the First Reformed church at Easton. In 1865 Rutgers College gave him the degree of D.D., and in 1880 Franklin and Marshall College gave him LL.D. In 1897 he was relieved of the active duties of his professorship in Lafayette College, but continued his connections as professor emeritus and as curator of the botanical collections. His connection as a minister of the Reformed Church remained unbroken. For a quarter of a century he was a member of the Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa. His wife and children preceded him to the eternal world. After a brief illness he died at his home at Easton, April 27, at the age of 79 years, 3 months and 5 days. The funeral services were held in Grace Reformed church on College Hill, Easton, Pa.

REV. BENJAMIN WEISS.

Died April 12, A.D. 1901.

Benjamin Weiss, son of Jacob and Sarah (Frey) Weiss, was born August 27, 1849, in Weisenburg township, Lehigh county, Pa. He was baptized in infancy, and at the age of 13 confirmed in Reformed church at Seiberlingville, Pa. He pursued his studies at Fairview Seminary, at Kutztown, entered the Sophomore class in Franklin and Marshall College, was graduated in 1869, and from the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., in 1871. In 1872 he was called to the pastorate of the Lenhartsville charge in Berks county, consisting of four congregations, viz.: Lenhartsville, Dunkel, Zion, Wesnerville. In connection with this charge he supplied at sundry times the Blandon, New Bethel, Jacksonville, Lynnville and St. Paul congregations. In this extensive field of labor he was actively engaged for nearly 27 years. The arduous toil of this vast field was a physical strain upon his robust constitution. His health being impaired by increasing infirmities he was compelled three years ago to relinquish the duties of the charge. After a pro-

longed season of suffering he was released April 12, 1901, from his affliction, and entered into rest at the age of 51 years, 9 months and 15 days. The funeral services were held April 18 in the Reformed church, Lenhartsville, and the body was buried in the adjoining cemetery.

Rev. Weiss was married May 26, 1874, to Miss Emma (Rahn) Merkel, and in this marital union was blessed with four children, of which number one daughter and two sons are living who, with the bereaved widow, mourn the loss of their departed father.

REV. FREDERICK B. HAHN.

Died May 16, A.D., 1901.

Frederick B. Hahn, son of Richard and Sophia Hahn (nee Bender), was born September 8, 1847, in Plainfield township, Northampton county, Pa. His preliminary education was received in the public schools of his native district. In his subsequent literary course he was graduated in 1869 at the Keystone Normal School, in 1875 at Franklin and Marshall College, and in 1878 at the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.

In the year of his final graduation he was licensed by Lancaster Classis to the Christian ministry; ordained by St. Paul's Classis, Synod of Pittsburgh, and installed as pastor of the Greenville church, which he served faithfully for a period of six years. From 1884 to 1885 he was pastor of the Mt. Pleasant charge; from 1885 to 1888 of the Meadville charge. In 1888, under the auspices of the General Synod's Mission Board he organized the first English Mission at Cleveland, O., and gave it one year of faithful service. From 1889 to 1892 he served the congregations at Tipton and St. Paul, Kutztown, Pa., and from 1892 to the present time he was the efficient pastor of Faith and St. James congregations, Reading, Pa. He was the Stated Clerk of Reading Classis from its organization. His afflictions were brief, the disease was neuralgia of the heart. He passed away on Ascension Day, thirty minutes before noon, at the age of 53 years, 8 months and 8 days, and was interred in Charles Evans cemetery, Reading, Pa., awaiting in hope a blessed resurrection.

In 1878 he was married to Miss Ella R. Bridenbaugh, with whom he was blessed with six children, the eldest and youngest

having preceded him to the heavenly world. The bereaved wife and the four children, Mary, Edith, Ruth and John, deeply lament his departure. These, in connection with the congregation he lately served, we lovingly commend to the tender care of the Chief Shepherd and Bishop of Souls who will vouchsafe to them His most gracious protection. Amen.

REV. GLASE GERHARD.
Died July 22, A.D., 1901.

Glase Gerhard, the eldest son of Rev. Calvin S. Gerhard, D.D., and his wife, Emma, nee Glase, was born July 17, 1872, in Sunbury, Pa. His preparatory education was received in the High School at Reading, Pa., where he was graduated in 1890 with honor. He entered the Sophomore class of Franklin and Marshall College and was graduated in 1893 with honorable distinction. After spending one year in a post-graduate course at Harvard University, he entered the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., and was graduated in 1897. He was examined and licensed by Reading Classis to preach the Gospel. Having received and accepted a call from the Hummelstown charge, he was ordained and installed May 27, 1897 as pastor of said congregation. In November, 1898, he took charge of St. John's Reformed church, West Philadelphia, where he labored for two years with encouraging success. After a brief vacation spent at several health resorts in the State of New York, he resigned his charge. Several weeks before the close of his earthly life he was brought to his home in Reading. His later days were spent in St. Joseph's Hospital, where on July 22, 1901, he passed away peacefully, at the age of 29 years and 5 days. His parents and three brothers survive to mourn his early departure. The funeral services were held in St. Stephen's church, Reading, Pa., and the body was interred July 26, 1901, in Charles Evans cemetery. He knew in Whom he believed and is peacefully resting in hope of a blessed resurrection.

REV. JOHN NAILLE.
Died August 28, A.D., 1901.

John Naille was born February 18, A.D., 1800, in Frederick, New Carol county, Maryland. In his thirteenth year he was received into full membership in the Reformed Church, by

Rev. J. H. Wiestling, by the rite of confirmation. Sixteen years of his early life were spent in teaching school. He pursued his literary studies in Pennsylvania College and Seminary under the instruction of Drs. Krauth and Schumaker. He was examined and licensed in 1840 by the Synod of the Reformed Church, at Greencastle, Pa., and ordained by the East Susquehanna Classis in 1841. During his ministry he served the following charges: From 1841 to 1846 the Liverpool charge in Perry county, Pa.; from 1846 to 1857 the Wentz charge in Montgomery county, consisting of Wentz, Towamencin and Hilltown congregations; from 1857 to 1867, Elizabethtown charge, Lancaster county, Pa. The remainder of his ministerial life was spent in the West, namely, at Murray, Wells county, Ind.; Stonington, Ill., and Lyons, Iowa. He retired from the active ministry in 1881.

In 1824 he was married to Miss Sarah B. Ernst, of York county. In his marital relation he was blessed with six children, three of whom died years ago. His wife died nearly thirteen years ago. This aged servant of God closed his career on August 23, at the home of Mr. A. F. Bertolet, at the Trappe, Pa., at the age of 100 years, 6 months and 10 days. The funeral services were held at the Wentz church, and the body was interred in the adjoining cemetery.

ARTICLE XIII.

F. AND M. COLLEGE AND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

I.—Report of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Visitors. (a).— Report of Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

DEAR BRETHREN: Enclosed find a synopsis of the annual report of John B. Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

During the past year the Board held two regular meetings. The first meeting was held on May 9th, 1901, when the following officers were elected: President, John W. Appel; vice-president, John D. Skiles; treasurer, John B. Roth, and secretary, Jeremiah S. Hess.

The second meeting was held October 3d, 1901.

The most important question that confronted the Board was the annual deficit. The Seminary buildings are large,

beautiful and commodious, and a credit to the Reformed Church, but the members of the Church should know that this advancement has imposed new obligations. The permanent Endowment Fund, which was barely sufficient before the erection of the buildings is entirely inadequate now, and we have finally reached a time when something must be done. A comparison of the annual reports of the Treasurer shows a constantly increasing deficit, to which the attention of the Synods is called in the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The income from the Endowment Fund is not sufficient to defray the necessary expenses of the institution and the deficit is annually increasing, therefore,

Resolved, That the respective Synods be respectfully and earnestly requested to take up the question of increasing the permanent Endowment Fund of the Theological Seminary.

Resolved, That the Synods be again requested to apportion \$1,800 towards the payment of the current expenses of the Theological Seminary in the following ratio:

Eastern Synod	\$900.00
Potomac Synod	600.00
Pittsburgh Synod	300.00

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS, *Secretary*.

HELLERTOWN, PA., Oct. 3d, 1901.

(a).— Report of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary.

LANCASTER, October 1, 1901.

John B. Roth, Treasurer, in account with the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

1900.	DR.	
Oct. 1.	For interest of S. M. Keen, to Oct. 1, 1900.....	\$ 36 00
Oct. 2.	" P. M. Ermantrout, to Oct. 2, 1900.....	100 00
Oct. 6.	" Cook legacy, to Oct. 2, 1900....	30 00
Oct. 8.	" Withers mortgage, Sept. 29, 1900..	175 00
Oct. 24.	" E. Smithgall, Oct. 1, 1900.....	27 50
Oct. 27.	" W. H. Rinier, on account,.....	15 00
Nov. 6.	" C. B. Davis	25 00
Nov. 16.	" Harrisburg & B. R. R., to Nov. 1, 1900	23 00
Nov. 16.	" Wilkesbarre H. & L. R. R., to Nov. 1, 1900.....	28 00
Nov. 16.	" Scranton Traction Co., to Nov. 1, 1900	30 00
Nov. 16.	" West End Traction Co., to Nov. 1, 1900.....	2 50

Nov. 16.	For interest of St. John's Luth. Church, to Nov. 15, 1900	\$ 106 00
Nov. 28.	" Kieffer legacy, to Oct. 1, 1900....	75 00
Dec. 1.	" Lehigh V. R. R. bonds, to Dec. 1, 1900	150 00
Dec. 1.	" I. P. M. Rank, to Apr. 1, 1901..	143 00
Dec. 4.	" Salem coal bonds, to Feb. 1, 1901	8 50
Dec. 12.	" S. R. Wolfersberger, to Apr. 1 1901	17 50
Dec. 27.	" McFarland mortgage, to Dec. 15, 1900	118 13
1901.		
Jan. 2.	" W. U. Hensel, coupons,	25 00
Jan. 5.	" Wolfersberger, on account.....	5 00
Jan. 8.	" Penna R. R. dividend, Nov., 1900	35 00
Jan. 15.	" Harrisburg Bridge Co., Jan 1, 1901	2 25
Feb. 26.	" Wolfersberger, on account.....	45 00
Mch. 1	" Springfield W. B., to March 1, 1901	37 50
Mch. 1.	" Berwyn W. B., to March 1, 1901.	60 00
Mch. 4.	" St. John's Reformed Church, Shamokin,	12 50
Mch. 9.	" Perry mortgage, to Feb. 18, 1901.	60 00
Mch. 20.	" A. Kunkle, to Apr. 1, 1901.....	22 00
Mch. 25.	" Geo. W. Schroyer, to Apr. 1, 1901	95 00
Mch. 27.	" A. Fritz, mortgage, to Apr. 1, 1901	78 00
Mch. 28.	" Wolfersberger, on account.....	20 00
Mch. 30.	" John F. Bassler, on account....	20 00
Mch. 30.	" S. M. Keen, to date.....	30 00
Apr. 1.	" E. M. Eshleman, to Apr. 1, 1901..	162 00
Apr. 1.	" W. U. Hensel, to Apr. 1, 1901 .	125 00
Apr. 1.	" S. J. Johnston, to Apr. 1, 1901....	90 00
Apr. 1.	" I. S. Groff, to Apr. 1, 1901.....	82 50
Apr. 1.	" E. Smithgall, to Apr. 1, 1901....	27 50
Apr. 1.	" B. S. Schindel, to Apr. 1, 1901....	125 00
Apr. 1.	" F. G. Wesley, to Apr. 1, 1901....	48 00
Apr. 2.	" Lancaster Traction Co., to Apr. 1, 1901.....	137 50
Apr. 3.	" W. U. Hensel, Treas., to Apr. 1, 1901	180 00
Apr. 4.	" Swander consideration, to Apr 1, 1901	5 00
Apr. 11.	" Cook legacy, to Apr. 1, 1901....	30 00
Apr. 11.	" Kieffer legacy, to Apr. 1, 1901 ..	237 50
Apr. 11	" W. S. Martin, Treas., to Apr. 1, 1901	65 00
Apr. 15.	" W. F. Hambright, to Apr. 17, 1901	75 00
Apr. 15.	" Lehigh Classis, to Apr. 1, 1901....	15 00
Apr. 18,	" E. Susquehanna Classis, to March 4, 1901.....	15 00
Apr. 24	" E. K. Herr, to Apr. 1, 1901.....	78 00
Apr. 29.	" Wolfersberger, to Apr. 1, 1901....	12 50
Apr. 30.	" John F. Bassler, on account. . .	16 00
May 1.	" G. Harry Reed, to Apr. 2, 1901...	16 66
May 3.	" Wilkesbarre S. & H. B., to May 1, 1901	28 00
May 3.	" Harrisburg & Balt., to May 1, 1901	23 00
May 3.	" Scranton Traction Co., to May 1, 1901	30 00

May 3.	For interest of West End Traction Co., to May 1, 1901	\$ 2 50
May 14.	" Rev. J. C. Bowman, to Apr. 1, 1901	25 00
May 15.	" St. John's Lutheran Church bonds, to Apr. 15, 1901.....	66 00
June 1.	" Lehigh V. R. R. bonds, to June 1, 1901	150 00
June 10.	" Penna. R. R., to May, 1901.....	25 00
June 18.	" McFarland mort., June 15, 1901	118 13
June 25.	" Wyoming Classis, to July 1, 1901.....	15 00
June 25.	" P. M. Ermantrout, on account..	200 00
July 6.	" Harrisburg B. Co., July 1, 1901..	2 25
July 10.	" St. John's Church, Shamokin, June 1, 1901.....	12 50
July 15.	" Lane & Co., to Oct. 1, 1901.....	43 93
July 17.	" Becker property	52 37
Aug. 7.	" Salem coal bonds, to Aug. 1, 1901.....	25 00
Aug. 15.	" H. G. Schriver, check,	125 00
Aug. 15.	" H. G. Schriver, cash,	1 00
Aug. 19.	" Amos H. Christ, to Apr. 1, 1901.....	90 00
Aug. 30.	" Springfield W. B., to Sept. 1, 1901	37 50
Aug. 30.	" Berwyn W. B., to Sept. 1, 1901..	60 00
Aug. 30.	" Loan to date,	6 85
Sept. 3.	" Wash. & L. Erie bonds.....	25 00
Sept. 3.	" from Semy. Aid Fund, to Oct. 1, 1901	442 64
Sept. 4.	" E. Smithgall, to Oct. 1, 1901....	27 50
Sept. 4.	For cash for coal from janitor	17 50
Sept. 4.	For interest of C. H. Locher to date.....	225 00
Sept. 5.	" Kieffer legacy, on account.....	50 00
Sept. 6.	" Rev. J. C. Bowman, to Oct. 1, 1901	25 00
Sept. 9.	" E. H. Perry, to Aug. 18, 1901....	60 00
Sept. 9.	on loan to date	26 83
Sept. 16.	from Geo. W. Schroyer, to Oct. 1, 1901.....	95 00
Sept. 16.	Balance of Seminary Aid Fund transferred....	898 65
Sept. 30.	For interest of Lancaster Traction Co. bond, to Oct. 1, 1901.....	137 50
Sept. 30.	" A. A. Fritz, to Oct. 1, 1901.....	58 75
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Oct. 1.	By amount due Endowment Fund for account rendered	\$ 5,723 05
Oct. 6.	" paid Sundry Bills.....	2 05
Oct. 6.	" paid Seminary Electric Light Bill...	80
Oct. 8.	" paid Harnish & Leaman Bill.....	2 25
Oct. 10.	" paid Stoner, Shriner & Co.'s Bill....	15 80
Oct. 10.	" paid Lancaster Sheet Metal Co., ..	89 27
Oct. 10.	" paid Prof. C. B. Davis, on account..	75 00
Oct. 18.	" paid Seminary Water Bill, to Oct. 1, 1900	3 70
Oct. 18.	" paid Lancaster Sheet Metal Co., ..	5 87
Oct. 18.	" paid Lancaster Paint & Glass Co., ..	2 50
Oct. 24.	" paid Jas. Smithgall, salary to Oct. 1, 1900	110 00
Oct. 31.	" paid insurance on Becker property..	8 40
Nov. 3.	" paid Seminary Electric Light Bill..	4 08
Nov. 5.	" paid E. V. Gerhart, D.D., on salary	200 00

Nov. 5.	By amount	paid F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary....	\$ 200 00
Nov. 5.	"	paid Prof. G. W. Richards on salary	200 00
Nov. 5.	"	paid C. B. Davis on salary	75 00
Nov. 20.	"	paid Jas. Smithgall Bill, brick walk..	37 00
Nov. 26.	"	paid Seminary ad. in "Oriflamme"...	10 00
Nov. 28.	"	Seminary ad. in Church Almanac..	20 00
Nov. 30.	"	Lancaster Trust Co., security on treasurer's bond	50 00
Dec. 3.	"	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1901	175 00
Dec. 3.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1900	175 00
Dec. 3.	"	Prof. G. W. Richards, salary to Jan. 1, 1901	175 00
Dec. 3.	"	paid Seminary Electric Light Bill, Nov., 1900.....	3 76
Dec. 17.	"	paid B. H. Smith Bill	2 25
Dec. 28.	"	paid Treas. salary to Jan. 1, 1901....	125 00
Dec. 29.	"	Jas. Smithgall, salary on account..	50 00
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Jan. 1.	"	C. B. Davis, salary on account....	75 00
Jan. 2	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill for Dec., 1900	5 52
Jan. 2.	"	Lancaster Paint Co. Bill	1 35
Jan. 2.	"	Postoffice Box Rent	1 00
Jan. 2.	"	Lancaster Sheet Metal Co. Bill....	7 05
Jan. 12.	"	Lancaster Sheet Metal Co. Bill	85
Jan. 15.	"	Seminary Water Bill to Jan. 1, 1900	3 05
Jan. 25.	"	Dille & Sons Bill	1 68
Feb. 2.	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill for Jan., 1901	3 28
Feb. 5.	"	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., on salary....	200 00
Feb. 5.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary	200 00
Feb. 5.	"	Prof. G. W. Richards, on salary..	200 00
Feb. 5.	"	Prof. C. B. Davis, on salary	75 00
Mch. 2.	"	Eyer, Spyker Co., coal bill	43 84
Mch. 2.	"	Penna. R. R. Co., freight bill on coal	33 82
Mch. 2.	"	William Reist bill, hauling	6 25
Mch. 2.	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill, Feb., 1901	3 92
Mch. 5.	"	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary to Apr. 1, 1901	175 00
Mch. 5.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Apr. 1, 1901	175 00
Mch. 5.	"	Prof. G. W. Richards, salary to Apr. 1, 1901	175 00
Mch. 19.	"	Interest overpaid, returned	8 00
Mch. 30.	"	Flinn & Breneman Bill	2 10
Apr. 1.	"	Jas. Smithgall, janitor, on account..	100 00
Apr. 1.	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill, Mch., 1901.	4 40
Apr. 1.	"	John B. Roth, treas., salary to Apr. 1, 1901	125 00
Apr. 2	"	Postoffice Box Rent	1 00
Apr. 3	"	Prof. C. B. Davis, salary, to May 1, 1901	50 00
Apr. 4.	"	W. A. Miller, Swander paper	3 00
Apr. 12	"	Stoner, Shriner Co. Bill	5 45
Apr. 16.	"	Seminary Water Bill, to Apr. 1, 1901	3 00

Apr. 22.	By amount	P. O. stamps for Sem'y Catalogues..	\$13 50
Apr. 29.	"	New Era Printing Co. Bill.....	63 19
May 1.	"	Interest on Schaff Prize Fund, to May 8, 1901.....	94 20
May 1.	"	Interest on Sacred Rhetoric Fund, to May 8, 1901.....	23 66
May 1.	"	Interest on Bowman Trust Fund, to Apr. 28, 1901.....	10 00
May 1.	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill for Apr., 1901	2 00
May 6.	"	Jas. Smithgall, on account salary...	50 00
May 6.	"	Water Rent on Seminary houses (3)	34 20
May 8.	"	E.V.Gerhart, D.D., salary on account	200 00
May 8.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary on account.	200 00
May 8.	"	Prof. G. W. Richards, salary on ac- count	200 00
May 8.	"	Prof. C. B. Davis, salary, to July 1, 1901	100 00
May 8.	"	Deficit in Schaff Prize Fund.....	3 00
May 9.	"	Bill of Seminary testimonials	6 56
May 14.	"	Water Rent on Dr. Bowman's house	10 00
June 3.	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill, May, 1901	2 24
June 3.	"	Boardman & Co. Bill	80
June 3.	"	H. G. Schriver Bill	125 00
June 7.	"	Prof. G. W. Richards, salary to July 1, 1901	175 00
June 7.	"	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary to July 1, 1901	175 00
June 7.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary, to July 1, 1901	175 00
June 12.	"	Charges in Stock purchase, P. R. R. Co.	4 79
June 25.	"	Jno. B. Roth, treas., salary to July 1, 1901	125 00
June 29.	"	Jas. Smithgall, salary on account..	50 00
June 29.	"	Baumgardner Coal Bill	7 00
July 1.	"	Postoffice Box and Express Charges	1 65
July 2.	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill, June, 1901	1 60
July 6.	"	Recording Power of Attorney.....	1 45
July 8.	"	Ever, Spyker Co., Seminary Coal Bill	175 94
July 8.	"	Penna. R. R., freight on Coal	128 39
July 8.	"	William Rice, hauling Coal	23 75
July 15.	"	Lancaster Sheet Metal Co. Bill....	3 67
July 16.	"	Seminary Water Bill, by Meter, to July 1, 1901	4 10
July 24.	"	Lancaster Paint and Glass Co. Bill..	3 25
July 31.	"	E.V.Gerhart, D.D., salary on account	200 00
July 31.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary on account	200 00
July 31.	"	Prof. G. W. Richards, salary on ac- count	200 00
Aug. 1.	"	Seminary Electric Light Bill, July, 1901	80
Aug. 2.	"	Harvey L. Heiss Bill.....	1 50
Aug. 5.	"	Shank & Vondersmith Bill	58
Aug. 5.	"	Jas. Smithgall Bill	3 50
Aug. 7.	"	Roth Teas, on account	50 00
Aug. 30.	"	Geo. W. Nolty & Bro.'s Bill	3 00

Sept. 2.	By amount	Seminary Electric Light Bill, Aug., 1901	\$ 80
Sept. 3.	"	Smaltz Fund Int. to Jno. Hertzler, Treas.	250 00
Sept. 3.	"	Klopp Fund Int. to Jno. Hertzler, Treas.	40 00
Sept. 3.	"	E.V.Gerhart, D.D., sal. to Oct.1,1901	175 00
Sept. 3.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Oct.1,1901	175 00
Sept. 3.	"	Prof.G.W.Richards, sal. to Oct.1,1901	175 00
Sept. 3.	"	Prof. C. B. Davis, sal. to Oct. 1, 1901	150 00
Sept. 3.	"	Jas. Smithgall, janitor, salary to Oct. 1, 1901.....	170 00
Sept. 3.	"	Roth, Treas., salary to Oct. 1, 1901..	75 00
Sept. 3.	"	Library Fund Int. to Oct. 1, 1901....	52 80
Sept. 3.	"	J. Forney Fund Int. to Oct. 1, 1901..	45 00
Sept. 3.	"	Henry Wirt Fund Int. to Oct. 1, 1901	45 00
Sept. 3.	"	L.E.Schriver Fund Int. to Oct.1,1901	45 00
Sept. 3.	"	Frankford Bill.	3 00
Sept. 5	"	Stoner-Shreiner Bill	2 30
Sept. 16.	"	W. U. Hensel, Atty. for Sem'y.....	50 00

1901. \$13,537 01
 Oct. 1. Amt. Dr. brought forward..... \$6,428 94

Oct. 1. Amount due Endowment Fund is.. \$7,108 07

LIBRARY FUND OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1900.		DR.	
Oct. 1.	Amt. of Fund is.....		\$1,819 96
Oct. 1.	For balance due Fund to date..		\$98 04
Oct. 13.	For Int. paid by John Meily.....		60 00
1901.			
Jan. 14.	For Int. paid by John Meily in full		30 00
Oct. 1.	For Int. paid on Fund to date.....		52 80
			\$240 84

1900.		CR.	
Nov. 8.	By bill paid	Refd. Ch. Pub. Board	\$12 68
Nov. 24.	"	Refd. Ch. Pub. Board.....	7 50
Dec. 1.	"	per vouchers.....	11 47
Dec. 20.	"	J. O. Oswald.....	6 60
Dec. 20.	"	J. I. McVey.....	4 05
1901.			
Jan. 3.	"	Prof Schiedt.....	70
Jan. 22.	"	Prof. Richards.....	9 65
Jan. 29.	"	sundry orders.....	26 75
Feb. 14.	"	sundry bill.....	11 31
Feb. 18.	"	Rev. J. C Bowman.....	20 00
Feb. 26.	"	Samuel Auxer.....	4 45
Mch. 6.	"	Prof. Richards.....	3 33
Mch. 6.	"	Refd. Ch. Pub. Board.....	1 50
Apr. 3.	"	C. B. Davis.....	7 00
May 22.	"	F. A. Gast, D.D.....	1 34
June 22.	"	Refd. Ch. Pub. Board....	2 97
June 29.	"	Refd. Ch. Pub. Board.....	4 92
June 29.	"	Talmud Pub. Co.....	2 60
July 20.	"	Paul Nitschman....	5 35

July 23.	By bill paid S. H. Zahm & Co.	\$6 81	
Aug. 16.	" Refd. Ch. Pub. Board.....	8 61	
			<u>\$159 59</u>
1901.			
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund.....		\$81 25

SMALTZ FUND ACCOUNT FOR BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

1901.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of fund is.....	\$	5,000 00

Dr.

For interest received on fund from Oct. 1, 1900,
to Oct. 1, 1901.....\$250 00

1901.

Cr.

Oct. 1.	By interest paid John Hertzler, Treasurer of Beneficiary Board	\$250 00	
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WILLIAM A. WILT FUND.

	Amount of fund is.....	\$	833 33
1901.			
Oct. 1.	And interest included in Current Expense account of Theological Seminary.....		41 66

SCHAFF PRIZE FUND IN CHURCH HISTORY.

	Amount of fund is.....	\$	2,000 75
1900.			
May 8.	For balance due fund.....	\$	5 67
1901.			
May 8.	For interest due fund to May 8, 1901... <u>94 20</u>		\$99 87

1901.

Cr.

May 8.	By amount paid E. E. Kresge, prize per award of Committee.....	\$100 00	
	By amount Dr. brought down.....	<u>99 87</u>	

1901.

May 8.	Due Treasurer		13
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PRIZE FUND IN SACRED RHETORIC.

1901.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of fund is.....	\$	473 24

1901.

Dr.

For interest received on fund to May
8, 1901

\$23 66

1901.

Cr.

May 8.	By amount paid E. T. Rodes, prize per award of Committee.....	\$25 00	
	Amount Dr. brought down.....	<u>23 66</u>	

1901.

May 8.	Due Treasurer		\$1 34
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JOHN L REIGEL FUND.

1901.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of fund is.....	\$	15,680 00
	All interest on this fund is accounted for in the Treasurer's account for current expenses to October 1, 1901.		

JACOB FORNEY LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

	Amount of fund	\$1,000 00
1901.	Dr.	
Oct.	1. For amount interest due fund to date..	\$150 94
1900.	CR.	
	By sundry bills per orders:	
Oct.	3. Henry Slough	\$3 75
Dec.	1. B. Peck	8 60
Dec.	20. Yonkers, Agt.	2 50
1901.		
Jan.	17. B. Peck	14 00
Jan.	29. Order	13 29
Feb.	18. Rev. J. C. Bowman.....	30 00
Mch.	6. N. T. P. Company.....	2 60
July	18. Funk & Co.....	8 00
		<hr/> 82 74
1901.		
Oct.	1. Due fund	\$68 20

ANDREW KEISER AND CATHARINE W. SCHRIVER LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

	Fund	\$1,000 00
1901.	Dr.	
Oct.	1. For interest due fund to date.....	\$136 67
1901.	Cr.	
Oct.	1. By sundry bills paid per vouchers to date	90 00
	Due fund	<hr/> \$46 67

HENRY WIRT LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1901.			
Oct.	1. Amount of fund is.....	\$1,000 00	
1901.	Dr.		
Oct.	1. For interest due fund to date.....	\$146 06	
1900.	CR.		
Nov.	8. By bill paid Refd. Ch. Pub. Board.....	\$5 00	
1901.			
Jan.	29. " per order	13 84	
Feb.	18. " per Rev. J. C. Bowman.....	80 00	
		<hr/> 98 84	
Oct.	1. Due fund	\$47 22	

SEMINARY CLASS '94 LIBRARY ALCOVE.

1894.			
July	1. For amount of notes placed in hands of Treasurer for collection.....	\$981 00	
1901.	Dr.		
Oct.	1. For amount cash received to date for notes paid	\$443 00	
Oct.	1. For unpaid notes in Treasurer's hands..	538 00	
		<hr/> \$981 00	
1901.			
Oct.	1. Also on interest credit on funds invested.....	\$43 21	

LECTURE FUND STATEMENT.

No Endowment.

1901.	Dr.		
Oct. 1.	For balance in Treasurer's hands.....		\$38 56
1901.	Cr.		
Jan. 25.	By order paid H. Obold.....	\$7 00	
Feb. 12.	" E. N. Evans.....	5 00	
Mch. 21.	" H. Obold	15 00	
			27 00
	Due fund		\$11 56

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AID FUND.

1900.	Dr.		
Oct. 6.	For amount received of John J. Nissley, Treasurer Eastern Synod.....	\$ 28 00	
Oct. 10.	For amount received of John J. Nissley, Treasurer Eastern Synod.....	52 00	
Oct. 18.	For amount received of Geo. N. Forney Treasurer Potomac Synod.....	128 00	
Nov. 24.	For amount received of Tohickon Classis	63 31	
Nov. 28.	For amount received of John J. Nissley, Treasurer	60 00	
1901.			
Apr. 11.	For amount received of John J. Nissley, Treasurer	86 00	
Apr. 16.	For amount received of Christ Reformed Church, Norristown, Pa.....	13 15	
Apr. 17.	For amount received of Pittsburgh Synod	200 00	
Apr. 23.	For amount received of Glen Rock chg.	8 15	
Apr. 25.	For amount received of Eastern Synod, Nissley, Treasurer	190 00	
May 13.	For amount received of Rev. J. B. Henry, Treas. Philadelphia Classis.	28 70	
May 15.	For amount received of Dr. Deisinger, Treasurer Zion's Classis.....	5 56	
May 16.	For amount received of Tohickon Classis	25 75	
May 30.	For amount received of North Carolina Classis	25 00	
July 17.	For amount received of East Susque- hanna Classis, by Hill, Treasurer...	43 45	
Aug. 28.	For amount received of Pittsburgh Synod	200 00	
Aug. 30.	For amount received of Potomac Synod	384 22	
			\$1,541 29
1901.	Cr.		
Sept. 3.	By interest paid on Endt. Fund to Oct. 1, 1901	\$442 64	
Sept. 3	By amount paid principal due by Semi- nary Grounds account.....	200 00	
Oct. 1.	By balance Seminary Aid Fund charged to Treasurer and accounted for in his current expense account.....	898 65	
			\$1,541 29

PITTSBURGH PROFESSORSHIP FUND.

1901.			
Oct.	1.	Amount of fund.....	\$30,479 64
1901.		Dr.	
Oct.	1.	For interest received on fund to date \$1,881 63	
1901.		Cr.	
Oct.	1.	By interest paid Wm. Rupp, D.D., per vouchers	<u>1,881 63</u>

ENDOWMENT FUND STATEMENT.

1900.			
Oct.	1.	For amt. of Fund reported.....	\$94,652 81
Oct.	16.	For amt. recd. of Rev. J. B. Henry, Treas.....	36 95
1901.			
June	3.	For amt. recd. of Rev. J. B. Henry Treas.....	29 00
July	3.	For amt. recd. of the Wilhelm Est., per J. W. B. Bausman, Treas.	<u>258 50</u>
			\$94,977 26

STATEMENT OF ALL FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER.

10 Oct. 1st, 1901.			
Endt. Fund, General.....		\$94,977 26	
Endt. Fund, Special, Riegel.....		15,680 00	
Endt. Fund, Special, Wilt.....		833 33	
		<u></u>	\$111,490 59
Library Fund			1,819 96
Smaltz Fund			5,000 00
Sacred Rhetoric Fund.....			473 24
Schaff Prize Fund.....			2,000 75
Jacob Forney Fund, Seminary Alcove.....			1,000 00
Henry Wirt Fund, Seminary Alcove.....			1,000 00
Louis E. Schriver Fund, Seminary Alcove.....			1,000 00
Seminary Class '94 Fund, Seminary Alcove.....			981 00
Pittsburgh Synod			<u>30,479 64</u>
			\$155,245 18

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN B. ROTH,

Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

LANCASTER, PA., October, 1901.

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Board to examine and audit the several accounts of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary, respectfully report that we find them correct as presented.

JOHN D. SKILES,

JOHN W. APPEL,

LANCASTER, PA., October, 1901.

Committee.

LIST OF THE INVESTMENTS OF THE PITTSBURGH PROFESSORSHIP FUND.

Hempfield Coal Bonds.....	\$14,500 00
Mountain Coal Bonds.....	11,000 00
Washington & Lake Erie Coal Bonds.....	3,000 00
Barnhart C. H. & S. Note.....	1,000 00
Rupp Wm. D. D. Note.....	800 00
Barnhart W. R.....	<u>179 64</u>
Oct. 1, 1901.	\$30,479 64

(b).—Report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.
To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: The undersigned respectfully submits to your reverend body the annual report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary for the year 1900-1901.

1. The work of the Seminary for the year began September 11, 1900, and was continued without interruption through the year ending May 9, 1901.

2. Twenty-two students were admitted to the Junior Class, of whom eighteen are college graduates, and two are ministers of the Gospel, one of the Methodist Episcopal Church, and one of the Church of God. Their names follow:

Baker, Frank Kaufman.	Kohler, William D.
Black, Blanchard Allen.	Leinbach Edwin S.
Bright, Edward David.	Noss, Charles Lewis.
Byers, Perry Crothers.	Radcliffe, Richard.
Causey, William Henry.	Shullenberger, Frank Wilbur.
DeLong, Calvin Martin.	Sipple, Simon,
Faust, Elias Franklin.	Staudt, Calvin K.
Gluck, Aaron Manus.	Stein Karl.
Gress, Daniel.	Warlick, Charles.
Hay, Benjamin Keener.	Yoshida, Kikutaro.
Hoover, Samuel Charles.	Juniors, 22.
Kershner, William H.	

3. The Middlers are the same men we reported last year as advanced from the Junior year. Of this number Walter G. Haupt has been teaching in the Academy, and Franklin P. Miller was permitted to withdraw from the Seminary to occupy the Chair of Physical Science and German in the Keystone State Normal School. They have been pursuing the studies of their class privately. The members of this class were advanced to the Senior year. Middlers, 12.

4. The Seniors having completed the full course of instruction, and having sustained approved examinations were granted the usual testimonial. They are:

Borkey, Fred. S.	Kreider, Henry Royer.
Bowers, Joshua L.	Kresge, Elijah Everett.
Cramer, William Stuart.	Laudenslager, Daniel K.
Curtis, William Franklin.	Long, Carl W. B.
Diffenbach, Albert Charles.	Nace, Albert F.
DeLong, Irwin Hoch.	Obold, Howard.
DeLong, William F.	Pilgrim, Robert James.
Fogelman, Harry Laucks.	Rupp, Harry Harbaugh.
Fox, John Thomas.	Schaeffer David Isaac.
Harr, William Elias.	Seiple, William George.
Helm, Thad. G.	Slough, William Custer.
Kaske, Adolph William.	Wiand, Henry Harbaugh.
Keller John H.	Seniors, 25.

5. The conduct and Christian character of the students during the year was commendable. With a few exceptions they were engaged in preaching or such other religious services as would train them for their calling.

6. The arrangement with the Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College, by which Mr. Claude B. Davis continues as Professor of Oratory was effected for the current year.

7. Two members of the Board, the Rev. Jonathan E. Hiester, D.D., and the Rev. Thomas C. Porter, D.D., died during the year. After long and faithful service in the Church, and many years of service in the Board where the Church received the benefit of their literary ability, theological attainments, and active interest in the welfare of the institution and students, these brethren have entered into rest and their works do follow them. At the time of his decease Dr. Porter was President of the Board, to which office the Rev. S. G. Wagner was elected as his successor.

8. The Rev. J. I. Swander has added eight thousand dollars to the amount previously assigned to this Seminary for the establishment of a lectureship. The following resolutions expressive of the wishes of Dr. Swander, as to the manner in which the income of this fund when it shall come fully into the possession of the institution, is to be used, were adopted by the Board, and are hereby laid before the three Synods for consideration.

"WHEREAS, The Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary has received from Mrs. Barbara Swander, of Tiffin, Ohio, a donation of \$12,000 to be held and known as the Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander 'Memorial Fund' subject to the conditions and terms specified in a deed of conveyance dated February 5, 1898, and hereto attached, and

"WHEREAS, In a supplemental article of agreement dated January 22, 1901, also hereto attached, tendering an additional \$8,000 to the said Memorial Fund, providing for the amendment and enlargement of the authority of the said Board of Trustees in the use of said fund, it is stipulated that any such amendment or enlargement must be recommended by this Board of Visitors and mutually agreed to by all the parties named therein, therefore

Resolved, That the following recommendations be and

hereby are made to each of the three several Synods, viz: The Eastern Synod, the Pittsburgh Synod and the Potomac Synod, having co-operatively the general management of the Theological Seminary named as the beneficiary of the said Memorial fund:

1. That the said Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander Memorial Fund, increased by the supplemental bequest of \$8,000, making in all a fund of \$20,000, be held and handled by the said Board of Trustees forever in support of what shall be denominated and known as The Swander Lecture Course in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States, located at Lancaster, Pennsylvania.
2. That a portion of the revenue arising from the said Memorial fund, not to exceed \$600 per annum, be paid by the said Board of Trustees, upon the advice and with the consent of the Faculty of the said Seminary, to sustain such a lecture course in the said Seminary.
3. That the lectures thus provided for be as far as possible the product of the best Modern Christian Scholarship; that they be delivered either by members of the aforesaid Faculty or other able theologians of its selection; and that in the said lectures the person of Jesus Christ shall in all things have the pre-eminence.
4. That the lectures thus provided for and delivered shall, at the end of certain periods, not exceeding four years in duration, be edited under the supervision of the aforesaid Faculty and published in book form in good substantial binding; the expense of such printing and binding to be paid out of the revenue arising from the aforesaid Swander Memorial Fund, by the aforesaid Board of Trustees upon the order of the said Faculty.
5. That ninety per cent. of the books thus made together with seventy-five per cent of the balance of the money in the hands of the Board of Trustees as revenue from the aforesaid Swander Memorial Fund at the time and times of publishing such volumes of lectures so provided for, shall be delivered by the aforesaid Faculty to the Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States, located at Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the books to be advertised as the Swander Lecture Course volumes, and sold by the said Board; and all the pro-

ceeds of such sales, together with the seventy-five per cent. above mentioned be applied by the said Publication Board to increase the circulation of the Reformed Church Review now published by the said Board.

6. That Rev. John I. Swander, D.D., be chosen and appointed to deliver the first or more courses of lectures, according to his pleasure and convenience, subject to a mutual arrangement of all details between the faculty and himself.

9. The Board respectfully overtures the three Synods requesting that they provide the sum of seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) for the year 1901-1902 for a teacher of elocution to be divided as follows: Eastern Synod, \$375; Pittsburgh Synod, \$125; Synod of the Potomac, \$250.

10. There are two vacancies in the Board by reason of the decease of the Rev. Thos. C. Porter, D.D., whose term expires in 1902, and that of Rev. Jonathan E. Hiester, D.D., whose term expires in 1904.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary*.

HARRISBURG, PA., Sept. 28, 1901.

(c).—*Annual Report of the Board of Education.*

To the Reverend the Eastern Synod:

The Board of Education of the Eastern Synod, at its annual meeting held May 7, 1901, organized by the election of the following officers:

President, Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., Allentown, Pa.

Secretary, Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.

Treasurer, Mr. Jno. Hertzler, Lancaster, Pa.

During the past year the Board out of its income aided nine students for the ministry; the Classis of Lancaster aided two; the Classis of Lehigh, one; the Classis of Tohickon, three; and the Classis of Wyoming, two; a total of eighteen. In the current year the Board is aiding eight students; the Classis of Lancaster, one; the Classis of Lehigh, one; the Classis of Tohickon, three; and the Classis of Wyoming, two; a total of seventeen. Four of the students aided in the past year graduated.

Within the past year two ministers, formerly aided by the Board, died, and the Board has cancelled the obligations they gave for the aid received, which aggregated \$536.02.

In the past year Prof. Edwin M. Hartman refunded \$150; Prof. T. G. Helm, \$150; Rev. Chas. A. Mohr, \$50, of the aid received by them while students for the ministry, and Rev. J. C. Bowman, D.D., made a contribution of \$30, a total of \$380.

A copy of the Treasurer's Annual Report for the year beginning May 7, 1900, and ending May 6, 1901, is herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. LICHLITER,

Secretary of the Board of Education.

Lancaster, Pa., Oct. 16, 1901.

Treasurer's Annual Report.

RECEIPTS.

Balance	\$1683	73	
Interest and Dividends on Investments.....	755	00	
Collections and Contributions.....	480	00	
Offerings of Churches:			
Christ Church, Philadelphia.....	\$42	72	
St. John's Church, Philadelphia.....	10	00	
Church of the Ascension, Norristown.....	35	55	
Christ Church, Norristown.....	35	80	124 07
Received from Classes:			
Classis of Lancaster.....	\$299	01	
Classis of Lehigh.....	120	00	
Classis of Lehigh.....	225	00	
Classis of Wyoming.....	250	00	894 01 \$3.936 81

DISBURSEMENTS.

To students aided by the Board.....	\$1055	00	
To students aided by the Classis of Lancaster.....	365	00	
To students aided by the Classis of Lehigh.....	140	00	
To students aided by the Classis of Tohickon.....	425	00	
To students aided by the Classis of Wyoming.....	250	00	
For Lancaster Gas, Light and Fuel Co. Bond.....	1000	00	
To Wm. F. Lichliter, salary and postage.....	53	25	
To Herbert C. Miller, salary and revenue stamps...	25	76	
To Lancaster Trust Co., check book and postage..	1	50	
Balance in the treasury.....	621	30	3.936 81

May 6, 1901. To balance.....\$621 30

Respectfully submitted.

JNO. HERTZLER, *Treasurer.*

We, the undersigned, have examined the above report, and find it correct, with a balance of \$621.30.

Lancaster, Pa., May 7, 1901.

ELLIS N. KREMER,
NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER.

Attest: WM. F. LICHLITER, *Secretary.*

Lancaster, Pa., October 16, 1901.

(d).—Report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

At the last annual commencement in June the degree of A.B. was conferred upon the following members of the Senior Class:

Thomas Roberts Appel,
Walter Kreider Baer,
James Naftzinger Blatt,
John Hacke Bortz,
Willis Gordon Bostaph,
Waldo Tucker Brubaker,
Edward Wilson Feldhoff,
Frederick Benj. Gernerdt,
Ferry Rohrer Getz,
Henry Ellsworth Guyer,
Walter Samuel Hargett,
Harry Garfield Hartman,
Harvey Elias Hartz,
John Shartle Hershey,
Charles Harry Kehm,
Paul Kieffer,
William Henry Kretchman,
Henry Jerome Leinbach,
Howard Jerome Lowell,

George Wellington Lutz,
Jesse Miller Mengel,
Roy Malcolm Neely,
Richard Courtney Rengier,
Christian Hoffer Risser,
Jerry Merkel Schaeffer,
Oliver Scott Schaeffer,
James Jeremiah Schaeffer,
Henry Levi Scheetz,
Morris Guenther Schucker,
John Ried Simpson,
Edward Hollingsworth Sperow,
Henry Irvin Stahr,
John Samuel Staudt,
Henry Wentz Stick,
Frank Albert Suter,
George Leicester Thomas,
Francis Marion Truxal,
Simon Ralph Zimmerman,
Ralph Waldo Zook.

The degree of A.M. in course was conferred upon the following:

Rev. H. King, '70,
Rev. C. B. Heller, '81,
Rev. O. P. Steckel, '84,
Rev. W. B. Werner, '89,
Rev. J. N. Wagenhurst, '93,
C. B. Pennypacker, '97,
Rev. Henry Harbaugh Rupp, '97,
Howard Dare White, '97,
Wayne Heyser Bowers, '98,
J. J. Behney, '98,
Prof. G. C. Bordner, '98,

S. E. Basehore, Esq., '98,
John Jay Craig, '98,
I. H. DeLong, '98,
W. F. DeLong, '98,
A. F. Gilbert, Esq., '98,
J. H. Keller, '98,
D. K. Laudenslager, '98,
J. B. Opdycke, '98,
W. C. Slough, '98,
William G. Seiple, '98,
H. R. Kreider, '98.

The degree of A.M. for work done was conferred upon Paul Adams Herr, '99.

At the request of the Faculty of the Theological Seminary, the degree of B.D. was conferred upon Rev. James M. Mullan. The honorary degree of D.D. was conferred upon Rev. Silas B. Mase, Rev. D. E. Schoedler, Rev. B. B. Ferer, Rev. A. S. Weber; the degree of Sci.D. upon Prof. Sydney T. Skidmore; and the degree of LL.D. upon Prof. Gonzales Lodge.

The year which has just closed, it is pleasant to report, was in every way one of the most satisfactory in the history of

the institution. The work of instruction went forward regularly and successfully, and the order and discipline were all that could be expected. There were cases of sickness both among professors and students, but none of serious or protracted illness.

The enrollment of students during the last year was 184 for the College proper and 180 in the Academy. Deducting from this number 25 names which were given twice, the enrollment of the two institutions would make 339. At the present time the number of students in actual attendance in the college is as follows: Seniors, 34; Juniors, 40; Sophomores, 40; Freshmen, 38; Specials, 8, making in all 160.

The financial condition of the College is fully set forth in the Treasurer's report. All obligations have been met, but there is an apparent deficit of about \$2,100 in the year's operations. It will be remembered that there was an increase made in the salaries of several professors last year, and there was an outlay of about \$450 for an extension of the sidewalk northward along College Avenue, for grading, sodding, etc. The necessity for an increase of the endowment is therefore plainly apparent. During the year the College received a legacy of \$2,000, less the government taxes, from the estate of Miss Catherine H. Long, and the gift of \$828.40 as the portion accruing to the College out of a certain donation made by Mr. Henry Gable to the Board of Home Missions, intended by the donor for the use of the Science Building, to which it was, accordingly, appropriated.

The salary of Rev. Elmer E. Powell, Ph.D., Professor of Modern Languages, whose work has proved very satisfactory, was increased to \$1,500 a year, and that of Prof. Davis, Professor of Oratory, to \$1,200 a year, the latter to be paid conjointly by the Theological Seminary and the College. The place of Prof. Grove, Assistant in Chemistry, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. Herbert H. Beck, and that of Physical Instructor lately held by Dr. Outland, by Dr. John Hedges, late of the University of Pennsylvania. Inasmuch as the Military Department did not prove entirely satisfactory and there was a want of interest, attention and discipline in the work, the Board of Trustees resolved that this department should be abolished altogether and the arms returned to the United States

Government. Two vacancies in the Board of Trustees, occasioned by the deaths of Messrs. F. Shroder, of Lancaster, and B. Wolff, Jr., of Pittsburgh, were filled by the appointment of Mr. Charles F. Rengier, of Lancaster, and Mr. Paul Wolff, of Pittsburgh. The term of service of Messrs. Peter C. Wiest, of York, and J. B. Livingston, of Lancaster, and John E. Kunkle, of Greensburg, having expired, the Board of Trustees re-elected the Hon. J. B. Livingston and referred the other two vacancies to the Potomac and Pittsburgh Synods respectively, by which these vacancies are to be filled.

The attention of the Board of Trustees was specially called to the Science Building and to the steps necessary for its completion. It is a matter for congratulation that the work done up to this time is entirely satisfactory and that the building, in point of appearance, solidity, capacity and adaptedness for its purpose, surpasses our most sanguine expectations. The subscriptions and contributions up to June last amounted to a little over \$31,000, nearly all of which has been paid in. It was felt to be of the utmost importance that steps should be taken for the immediate completion of the building, first of all, because it is so sorely needed for the prosecution of our work. The cramped conditions under which we are laboring, in the nature of the case interferes not only with the comfort and convenience of professors and students, but also with the proficiency of their work. Besides this, the money now invested in an unfinished building would be a dead loss until the building was made available for the service of the College. Feeling that the time had come for a united, earnest, enthusiastic effort along the whole line by which it would be possible especially to reach those persons who are in a position to make contributions of considerable amount, a change of method was adopted. The Financial Secretary, who desired the Board of Trustees to be entirely unhampered in devising plans for the prosecution of the work, handed in his resignation. This resignation was accepted by the Board of Trustees with due acknowledgment to the Financial Secretary, the Rev. A. M. Schmidt, for his earnest, faithful labors in the interest of the College and of the Science Building. Of the \$31,000 secured for the Science Building, about \$21,000 was secured by Mr. Schmidt, and a large portion of it under conditions in which his personal influence was

a large factor. The Board of Trustees, with commendable zeal and enthusiasm, went to work, first of all, to set the example, and then to appeal to the friends of the College generally to assist in the prosecution of the canvass throughout the Church. At the meeting of the Board and at the Alumni Dinner, pledges were made by members of the Board and by friends of the College who were present to the amount of about \$19,000. It is expected that the finishing of the building, the contract for heating and ventilating the same and the furnishing of the recitation rooms will cost about \$30,000. The equipments for the laboratories will cost about \$5,000 more; so that there remains to be raised from \$12,000 to \$15,000. Contracts for the finishing of the building and for heating and ventilating the same have been given and the work is well under way, so that we confidently expect the building to be finished and ready for occupancy by the 1st of January, 1902. The Board of Trustees appeal to the three Synods and the friends of the College everywhere to go to work through their proper committees and raise the amount still needed, so that when the building is finished it may be opened and occupied free of debt, with the consciousness that a good work has been well and nobly done.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR, *President*.

II.—Report of the Standing Committee on F. and M. College and the Theological Seminary, Lancaster.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN.—The following papers were referred to your committee:

1. The report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.
2. The report of the Board of Visitors of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
3. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
4. The report of the Board of Education of the Eastern Synod.

Your committee submits the following for consideration:

- (a) *Franklin and Marshall College*.

From the President's report we gather that the year just closed was in every way one of the most satisfactory in the

history of the institution; that because of increased expenditures for salaries there is necessity for an increase of endowment; that two members of the Board of Trustees departed this life during the year; that a bequest of \$2,000 and a donation of \$828.40 became available; that the work of completing the Science Building is well under way; that toward the payment of the contracts for finishing the building, \$19,000 were pledged during commencement week; and that about \$15,000 additional will be needed to pay in full for the building and its furnishing.

We present the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Synod learns with pleasure of the successful carrying forward of the work of the College during the year, and that it hereby calls upon its constituency to join it in thankfulness to God for His favor and blessing upon the work of this institution.

Resolved, That the Synod notes with sincere sorrow the death of two honored and faithful members of the Board of Trustees of the College.

Resolved, That grateful record be, and hereby is made of the Henry Gable gift of \$828.40.

Resolved, That by reason of increasing expenditure made necessary by the enlarged requirements of the College in the way of additional professors, and needed improvements the Synod hereby urges, through its respective Classes, upon those of our membership who are entrusted by God with large means, the importance of consecrating by will and by direct gift a portion of their wealth to the enlargement of the Endowment Fund of the College.

Resolved, That Synod learns with great pleasure that the early completion of the Science Building is now assured, and hereby heartily commends the liberality of the members of the Board of Trustees by which said Board was warranted in placing contracts for this work, and hopes that all over the Synod the Classes, alumni and friends of the college will rally to the work by raising the additional funds needed to pay all contracts, and to furnish and equip this magnificent building.

Resolved, That in view of the fact that by the resignation of the Financial Secretary that office is now vacant, a com-

mittee of three be appointed whose duty it shall be, in conjunction with the President of the college, through existing classical committees and otherwise, to give direction to the immediate raising of the aforesaid needed funds for the Science Building.

(b) *Eastern Theological Seminary.*

From the reports of the Board of Visitors and that of the Board of Trustees and that of the Treasurer of this institution we glean that another year of successful work has been added to its predecessors; that the conduct and the Christian character of the student body were of high order; that two of the members of the Board of Visitors, beloved members of this Synod, departed this life; that Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., has added \$8,000 to the amount previously given for the establishment of a lectureship; that Synod is asked, in conjunction with the Potomac and Pittsburgh Synods to act upon the recommendation referring to the disposal of the income of the aforesaid gift; that Synod is requested to provide the sum of \$375 for the teacher of Elocution, and \$900 for current expenses; and that the question of increasing the permanent Endowment Fund be taken up.

We present the following resolution:

Resolved, That Synod notes with joy the many good and cheering things brought to us in these reports and that we recognize in them great reason for sincere gratitude to God for so signally blessing this school of the prophets.

Resolved, That whilst we note with heartfelt sorrow the departure from this life of Rev. J. E. Hiester, D.D., and Prof. Thomas C. Porter, D.D., LL.D., we at the same time rejoice to know that in the ripeness of faith, hope, and love, in the odor of sanctity, they do now rest from their labors, and that their works so abundant do follow them.

Resolved, That Synod hereby makes record of its sincere appreciation of and thankfulness for the munificent liberality of Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., in making possible not only an important lectureship in the Theological Seminary, but at the same time making secure the permanence of the Reformed Church Review.

Resolved, That Synod hereby accepts and confirms the rec-

ommendations of the Board of Visitors relating to the lectureship which is to be known as the Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander Memorial Fund.

Resolved, That the request for \$375 for the teacher of Elocution and \$900 for current expenses of the Theological Seminary be granted and that these amounts be referred to the Finance Committee for apportionment.

Resolved, That by reason of the increased current expenses of the Theological Seminary, and of depreciation in the rate of interest on invested funds, the request of the Board of Trustees to take up the question of increasing the endowment be granted and referred to a committee whose duty it shall be to formulate and report one year hence a feasible plan of operation.

(c) *The Board of Education.*

The report of this Board is encouraging. The total receipts from all sources and including balance of last year amount to \$3,936.81, an increase of \$559.16 over that of last year; disbursement, \$3,315.51; balance in treasury, \$621.30. We present the following resolution:

Resolved, That Synod recommends the work of this Board to the cordial support of the Church through its respective Classes.

In addition to the foregoing, your committee respectfully recommends that Reformation Day be designated by this Synod through its respective Classes as a day upon which, so far as practicable, the educational interests of the Church shall be presented to our people.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SCHNEDER,

THOS. H. LEINBACH, H. BOBB,

A. A. BLACK, JNO. J. NISSLEY.

APPENDIX.

To your committee was referred also the item from the Committee on Minutes of Synod relating to the failure to report on the part of the Committee on the Endowment of Franklin and Marshall College.

In view of the difficulties encountered by this committee in holding meetings, and in the prosecution of the work of the

further endowment of the college in a systematic manner, made apparent in the reports of the committee to this Synod and especially in the present failure to report, your committee recommends

1. That the present Committee on the Endowment of Franklin and Marshall College, be, and hereby is, discontinued.

2. That by reason of the urgent need of enlarged endowment for the college, the committee, constituted under the last resolution of the foregoing report on the college, shall report to this Synod next year a plan by which the necessary funds may be secured at an early date.

C. B. SCHNEDER, *Chairman.*

The foregoing report was duly considered during Monday's session, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole.

The committee called for in the body of this report to attend to financial interests of Franklin and Marshall College, consists of the following members: Revs. Dr. C. S. Gerhard, L. Kryder Evans and Thos. J. Hacker; and the committee to look after the financial interests of the Theological Seminary consists of Revs. Chas. B. Schneder, Dr. S. R. Bridenbaugh and Dr. A. R. Bartholomew.

Rev. Dr. B. B. Ferer was elected a member of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary for the term ending December, 1902, and Rev. Dr. James Crawford for the term ending December, 1904.

Mr. John Hertzler, of Lancaster, Pa., was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

1.—Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN:—This report has to do only with missions and matters within the two Synods. The condition of these missions has been carefully noted by your Board from quarter to quarter, and the recommendations made to the General Board have nearly all been approved.

In April last, owing to the retirement of the former President, Rev. Dr. J. A. Hoffheins, the Board elected in his stead Rev. C. A. Santee.

It is easy to see that the management of our assets, now amounting to about \$38,000, distributed in about thirty items of loans and investments, requires careful oversight. The treasurer's report, which is herewith presented as part of this report, shows that the loans made during the year have taken from the treasury every dollar, leaving indeed a small amount due the treasurer.

Of the five missions which became self-supporting during the year, three were within the bounds of the Eastern Synod, namely, Royersford, Pa., Tower City, Pa., and St. Thomas, Reading, Pa.

One of our missionaries, Rev. Gerny Weber, of Salisbury, N. C., was called to his heavenly reward.

It is a pleasure to note that all our missions have pastors, except Harrisonburg, Va.

Notwithstanding an embarrassing debt, the General Board enrolled two of our missions, Memorial church, Easton, Pa., and Walnutport, Pa.

Two churches have been built, namely, at Lexington, N. C., and at High Point, N. C.; and three have been enlarged, Norristown, Pa., Palatinate, Philadelphia, Pa., and St. Mark's, Baltimore, Md., also parsonages have been built in Roanoke, Va., and in South Norwalk, Conn. A congregation will soon be organized at Walnutport, Pa., and a Hungarian congregation has been organized in Phoenixville, Pa.

The unusually large number of Church building Funds received this year from these two Synods is cheering evidence of a growing interest in this important part of our work. They are as follows: From Mrs. Sarah H. Super, Collegeville, Pa., two; Elder Henry Gable, Larue, Pa., two; Elder George A. Wood, Chambersburg, Pa.; Elder J. R. Hilbush and family, Mahanoy, Pa.; Elder John H. Shook, Greencastle, Pa.; Elder Joseph Keefer, Egypt, Pa.; and Elder C. C. Leader, Shamokin, Pa. We may yet add that at least six other funds have been begun by various parties, to be completed at their convenience. Nearly all of the completed funds were paid into the treasury of the General Board.

Your Board has been careful for many years to hold all legacies, so investing them as to give our missions the most benefit from them. But about twenty years ago, under some financial stress, several legacies were absorbed in our general work. The Board desires to restore these legacies, at least in part, by using the accumulated interest of our investments, and to keep on record the names of the donors. Lately, as a beginning, we thus restored the Anna K. Uhler legacy, \$1,000, and the Francis Polack legacy, \$500. The former was from Mannheim, Pa., and the latter from York, Pa.

During the year the Board has in various ways kept before the Church the importance of building the Memorial church in Washington, D.C. Financial progress has been made, but the church has not yet been built. About \$9,000 toward it, half of it received within twelve months, are in bank, and the Building Committee of Maryland Classis is awaiting the additional means that will justify them in laying the foundation. Under existing circumstances the Reformed Church owes it to herself to erect such a house of worship as will meet the needs of the congregation in the national capital.

The response from the churches in the payment of the apportionments has been more favorable during the last year, the increase from the two Synods being over \$3,000. We note this advance with satisfaction. A plain duty rests upon the Church to increase her offerings to this sacred cause, especially in view of the fact that General Synod's Board is encumbered with a debt of \$18,000, a debt that for six years has been a burden and a hindrance in the work. We trust that your reverend body will take such action as may afford relief in this particular, and that you will appeal to all the congregations to aid in removing a debt contracted because of the failure in the past to pay the apportionments recommended by General Synod and assumed by the District Synods and the Classes.

In this connection it will doubtless be a matter of interest to know how much is given and paid out for home missions in the two Synods. The amount paid on the apportionment by the Classes of the Eastern Synod during the past Synodical year is \$17,322, and its twenty-two missions received \$8,500. The amount paid by the Synod of the Potomac is \$7,675, and its thirteen missions received \$7,500.

As the General Board will in April, 1902, elect Superintendents for another term of three years from October 1st, 1902, the Eastern and the Potomac Synods are asked to nominate a candidate for their field. Your Board recommends Rev. A. C. Whitmer as the nominee.

The Eastern Synod will note that this is the year, according to its custom, for the election of its seven members of the Board of Missions. The following persons are at present members: Rev. Dr. E. N. Kremer, Elder John J. Nissley, Rev. Dr. C. S. Gerhard, Rev. T. J. Hacker, Rev. T. O. Stem, Rev. Dr. S. R. Bridenbaugh and Elder C. M. Bower.

The Synod of the Potomac will note the expiration of the terms of Rev. J. F. Moyer and Rev. E. R. Deatruck, and further that in April last the Board accepted the resignation of Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr., owing to his removal from the Synod.

And finally we suggest that both Synods declare that the term of office of members of the Board of Missions shall begin on April first following their election.

Respectfully submitted,

C. A. SANTEE, *President.*

E. N. KREMER, *Secretary.*

II.—Treasurer's Report.

JOHN J. NISSLEY, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Dr.

I.—For Home Missions.

FROM EASTERN SYNOD.

Philadelphia Classis	\$1,706 23	
Tohickon Classis	1,326 41	
Goshenhoppen Classis	1,578 74	
East Pennsylvania Classis	1,561 65	
Lebanon Classis	1,263 60	
Lancaster Classis	1,279 33	
Schuylkill Classis	972 81	
East Susquehanna Classis	1,141 53	
West Susquehanna Classis ..	1,305 28	
Lehigh Classis	2,240 00	
Wyoming Classis	1,097 83	
Reading Classis	1,848 73	
		\$17,322 14
FROM SYNOD OF POTOMAC.		
Maryland Classis	\$2,566 14	
Mercersburg Classis ..	1,351 30	
Virginia Classis	300 00	
Zion's Classis	437 14	

Juniata Classis	\$1,765 00	
Gettysburg Classis	100 00	
North Carolina Classis.....	506 03	
Carlisle Classis	649 05	\$7,675 26
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		\$24,997 40

FROM MISCELLANEOUS SOURCES

Mrs. R. R. Santee, Mercersburg, Pa.,	\$ 68 00	
Mrs. F. A. Gast, Lancaster, Pa.,	10 00	
Infant Dept. Salem S. S., Harrisburg, Pa.,	4 56	
Elder John Brewster, Huntingdon, Pa.,	5 00	
Christ church, Philadelphia, Pa.,	160 27	
C. E. Society, Mt. Alto, Pa.,	3 00	
Interest on Gerhard Legacy,	6 00	
Interest on Jacob Wagner Legacy,	100 00	
Reformed church, Rieglesville, Pa.,	245 96	
Church members at Souderton, Pa.,	1 00	
Thankful hearts, Mt. Alto, Pa.,	10 00	
A friend, Philadelphia, Pa.,	5 00	
A friend, Salisbury, N. C.,	1 00	
Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod,..	945 14	
Rents from Gabel houses, Steelton, Pa.,	113 77	\$1,678 70
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		\$26,676 10

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Paid Geo. W. Stein, Treasurer General Board..	\$26,676 10
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FOR HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.....	\$1,836 47	
Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.....	136 20	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis....	146 00	
Dr. J. Deissinger, Treas. Zion's Classis.....	79 53	
Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, D.D., Treas. Virginia Classis	50 00	
Rev. J. D. Miller, Treas. Carlisle Classis	55 33	
	<hr/>	\$2,303 53

FOR HARBOR MISSIONS.

J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.....	358 47	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.....	23 00	
Dr. J. Deissinger, Treas. Zion's Classis.....	11 87	
Rev. J. D. Miller, Treas. Carlisle Classis	9 17	
	<hr/>	\$402 51

FOR GERMAN MISSION WORK.

J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.....	877 97	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.....	134 85	
Dr. J. Deissinger, Treas. Zion's Classis.....	58 84	
Rev. J. D. Miller, Treas. Carlisle Classis.....	28 57	
Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.....	110 00	\$1,210 23
	<hr/>	\$3,916 27

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Paid Geo. W. Stein, Treas. General Board.....	\$3,916 27
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II.—Designated Moneys.

Reading Classis, for Rev. F. B. Hahn,	75 00
Reading Classis, for Rev. M. A. Kieffer,	25 00
Reading Classis, for Faith church, Read- ing, Pa.,	100 00

Reading Classis, for Lexington, N. C.	5 00	
Reading Classis, for Olivet church, Reading, Pa.,	50 00	
Reading Classis, for Rev. F. P. Laros, Pottstown, Pa.,	10 00	
Mrs. R. R. Santee, for Lexington, N. C.,	5 00	
Woman's Missionary Society, General Synod, for Lexington, N. C.,	5 00	
St. Stephen's, Lancaster, Pa., for Faith church, Lancaster, Pa.,	29 00	
Reformed church, Woodberry, Md., for Rev. Harsanyi,	2 00	
Sunday-school, Bellefonte, Pa., for Des Moines, Ia.,	15 00	
Sunday-school, Carlisle, Pa., for Scranton, Pa.,	10 00	\$331 00

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Paid as designated,	\$331 00
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III.—Church Building.**ON APPORTIONMENT.**

Balance in treasury, Sept. 17, 1901.		\$8,604 92
Lebanon Classis	147 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	216 55	
Tohickon Classis	222 88	
Reading Classis	421 00	
Schuylkill Classis	60 00	
Lehigh Classis	150 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	52 60	
West Susquehanna Classis	293 16	
Goshenhoppen Classis	150 00	
Lancaster Classis	183 41	
Philadelphia Classis	179 00	
		\$2,075 60

CHURCH BUILDING FUNDS.

Catharine Trone and Richard B. Schmidt Fund	\$100 00	
Henry and Elizabeth Gable Fund	500 00	
		\$600 00

LOANS REPAID.

Fourth church, Harrisburg, Pa.,	\$1,125 00	
Reformed church, Steelton, Pa.,	275 00	
Grace church, Altoona, Pa.,	500 00	
Heidelberg church, Thomasville, N. C.,	225 00	
Hungarian church, South Norwalk, Conn.,	100 00	
Reformed church, Timberville, Va.,	25 00	
Reformed church, Lexington, N. C.,	200 00	
Reformed church, Salisbury, N. C.,	242 50	
C. M. Boush, Treas., on Sioux City Loan,	500 00	
Church Extension Society, Baltimore, Md.,	500 00	
		\$3,692 50

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IV.—Legacy Account.

Mrs. Anna K. Uhler, Manheim, Pa., which years ago was consumed in the general work, but now restored out of the general treasury	\$1,000 00
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Francis Polack, York, Pa., which years ago was consumed in the general work and now restored out of the general treasury.....	\$500 00	\$1,500 00
Balance due the treasurer, Sept. 23, 1901.....		1,558 58
		<hr/> \$18,031 60

DISBURSEMENTS.

C. M. Boush, Treas., for church building.	\$2,075 60	
Rev. J. C. Leonard, for lot and church at Lexington, N. C.,	1,000 00	
Rev. J. C. Leonard, for lot and church at High Point, N. C.,	1,000 00	
Loan to Palatinate church, Philadelphia, Pa.,...	1,000 00	
Loan to St. John's church, Harrisburg, Pa.,....	5,000 00	
Loan to Christ church, Packerton, Pa.,.....	500 00	
Loan to Zion's church, Marietta, Pa.,.....	500 00	
Loan to Hungarian church, South Norwalk, Conn.,	800 00	
Loan to St. Paul's church, Roanoke, Va.,.....	1,500 00	
Loan to Messiah church, Philadelphia, Pa.,....	1,182 00	
Loan to St. Mark's church, Baltimore, Md.,....	3,300 00	
Refunded to West Susquehanna Classis amount paid on its Church Building Fund.....	174 00	
	<hr/>	\$18,031 60

V.—General Treasury.

To Balance in treasury, Sept. 17, 1900.....		\$1,987 83
From Mrs. C. A. Fremell, interest,.....	\$ 95 00	
From Hungarian church, Trenton, N. J.,.....	36 00	
From C. M. Boush, Treas. General Board, int..	222 50	
From Grace church, Altoona, Pa., interest....	140 00	
From Maryland Classis, interest.....	72 50	
From Heidelberg church, Thomasville, N.C.,int.	7 50	
From Hungarian church, Bridgeport, Conn., int,	32 00	
From Orebaugh Note, Timberville, Va., int....	2 50	
From Rev. J. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C., int.	15 93	
From Wyoming Classis, on bond, interest.....	10 00	
From Wyoming Classis, Scranton Mission, int.	212 50	
From Trinity church, Altoona, Pa., interest....	28 00	
From Mrs. Leah Seidle, interest.....	90 00	
From Reformed church, Parryville, Pa., interest	25 00	
From Reformed church, Lykens, Pa., interest..	30 00	
From Grace church, Allentown, Pa., interest....	30 00	
From Burlington church, N. C., interest.....	15 00	
From Tioga church, Philadelphia, Pa., interest..	20 00	
From St. Paul's church, Roanoke, Va., interest	90 00	
From Baltimore City, tax refunded,.....	6 89	
From Grace church, Washington, D. C., balance loan	45 00	
From Dividends York Bank Stock, Spangler legacy	37 50	
	<hr/>	1,263 82
		<hr/> \$3,251 65

DISBURSEMENTS.

Tax on Baltimore mortgage.....	14 60
Tax on Astoria, Oregon, lot.....	19 30
Fire Insurance at Salisbury, N. C.....	28 00
Amount to restore the Anna K. Uhler legacy..	1,000 00

Amount to restore the Francis Polack legacy. .	\$500 00	
Traveling expenses of the Board, stationery and postage	102 87	
Salary of the Secretary.....	75 00	
Salary of the Treasurer.....	75 00	
Balance in Treasury, Sept. 23d, 1901.....	<u>1,436 88</u>	\$3,251 65

VI.—Donation.

From Henry Gabel, of Larue, Pa., of real estate in Steelton, with direction to sell and dis- tribute.		
Received from Joseph Zachs and Abraham Lichenstein for real estate sold to them..	\$3,000 00	
Received for rents.....	<u>113 77</u>	\$3,113 77

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Paid Fire insurance, revenue stamps and other expenses	\$ 30 68	
Paid John B. Litch judgment and interest....	312 50	
Paid rents to General Board of Missions.....	113 77	
Paid C. M. Boush, Treas., to constitute the Henry and Elizabeth Gabel Church Build- ing Fund	500 00	
Paid Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States, to constitute the Henry and Elizabeth Gabel Church Build- ing Fund	500 00	
Paid one-half of balance to J. W. B. Bausman, Treas. for Science Building, Lancaster, Pa.	828 41	
Balance in Treasury Sept. 23d, 1901.....	<u>828 41</u>	\$3,113 77

The above balance is for Grace Memorial church, Washington, D. C., if needed. Otherwise to constitute a Church Building Fund under the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer.*

HUMMELSTOWN, PA., September 23d, 1901.

HARRISBURG PA., Sept. 23, 1901.

We, the undersigned, have audited the above report and found it correct as stated.

ELLIS N. KREMER.
JAMES C. THOMPSON.

III.—Annual Report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States, from April 1, 1900, to September 1, 1901.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The General Synod's Board of Home Missions hereby presents, for your consideration a report of its operations. This report includes what was sent to the Classes for the year ending March 31, 1901, and such additional facts, as should be stated, in order to bring the report up to September 1, 1901.

OUR MISSIONS.—There were one hundred missions on the roll of the Board during the year. Five have become self-supporting, while by previous action several new ones were entered on the roll, on April 1st, so that the new missionary year began with ninety-six missions on the roll, and including the Harbor Mission at New York—ninety-seven in all. Since then two more have been enrolled, making the present number ninety-nine. A few of the missions are now without pastors but pastors will soon be supplied. The missions never were in a more prosperous condition than at present.

THE HUNGARIAN WORK.—This department of our work continues to be interesting and prosperous. Three new congregations were organized during the year—one at Johnstown, Pa., one at East Toledo, O., and one at Phoenixville, Pa. Other points are open for organization. The Board has called two more pastors from Hungary for this work. Rev. Frank Csanfordi, who had been appointed traveling Hungarian Missionary resigned that position in September last in order to take charge of the newly organized mission at Johnstown. He has now resigned that mission with a view of returning to his native land.

FIELD SECRETARY.—Rev. Charles E. Creitz resigned as Field Secretary on July 1, 1900. The officers of the Board were directed to call to this office another suitable man. They challenged Rev. David N. Dittmar. He accepted the call and began his work February 1st, 1901. The Board commends him and his work to the hearty support of the Church. He has done efficient work since assuming the office.

TWENTIETH CENTURY LITERATURE.—At the time of the last annual meeting, the President of the Board reported that thirteen tracts, on the different phases of the home Missionary work, were in progress of publication. These have all been published and sent to the pastors of the English Synods, as well as to many German pastors. The Board believes that these tracts will do much good if the pastors have been faithful in distributing them among their people. Sixty thousand of each have been sent into the Church. Many calls have come for similar tracts on other Home Missionary subjects.

BUILDING FUNDS.—The following Church Building Funds

were either completed or given in full during the year: Westmoreland Classis Fund, Calvin Blessing Fund, Hillegass Fund Eberhart Fund, The Simons Fund, The Imler Congregation Fund, The Roney Fund, W. M. S. Allegheny Classis Fund, W. M. S. Interior Synod Fund, St. Paul's S. S. Reading Memorial Fund, The Blanche Harnish Fund, The Gettysburg Classis Fund, The Sarah H. Super Fund, The Anna B. Hahn Fund, The Geo. A. Wood Fund, The J. R. Hilbish and family Fund, The John H. Shook Fund, The Daniel and Polly Frantz Fund—eighteen in all. All these were \$500 Funds except the Roney Fund which was \$250. These exceeded the number received during any previous year. Two additional Funds have come into the hands of the Board during the summer. These will be named in the next annual report of the Board to the Classes. There came into this Fund also from the apportionments the sum of \$4,064.95. This sum from the apportionments has also been largely increased since the annual report was sent out in April. Quite a number of the Classes paid in full the six cents per member asked by the Board for this work. This arm of the work was never in as good condition as now.

A DONATION.—An example of liberality worthy of mention is the transfer of a property in Steelton, Pa., to the Bi-Synodic Board, by Elder Henry Gable, of York county, Pa. This property is worth about \$3,000 and is an offering that may well challenge others to a noble liberality. There is coming to prevail in the Church a more liberal spirit in the way of giving large sums for the extension of the work.

WASHINGTON MEMORIAL CHURCH.—The Board has put forth every reasonable effort to raise the \$30,000 needed for the Memorial Church at Washington, D. C. This project, it was hoped, would enlist the hearty support of the whole church. The amount received up to the present is a little over \$10,000. The Church should make this movement a success at a very early date. Whatever plans the Synods can devise for the speedy accomplishment of the project should be carried into effect at once. The Church should certainly be erected during 1901 and 1902.

THE FINANCES.—According to the statement of the Treasurer the amount received from March 15th, 1900, to April 6th, 1901, for the English, Hungarian, Bohemian, and German

Missions was \$43,975.39. This amount reaches about the average given by the Church for some years past, but it does not come up to the higher standard set by the General Synod at Tiffin. It is very manifest that unless the contributions to the home work become larger, the Board cannot extend, for the present, the sphere of its operations. From April 1st to September 1st about \$22,000 were paid in, but this amount leaves the Board practically where it was financially.

THE DEBT.—We are under the necessity of reporting that the indebtedness of the Board at the end of the year, amounts to \$18,508.94. This is much the same as it was at the opening of the year. We are sorry to say that we gained nothing during the year, as regards the finances. The out-lay of the Board has been increased somewhat, but the amount of money coming into the treasury has not increased. The last General Synod demanded of the Board a larger amount of work, over a more extended territory. For this purpose a larger sum of money was voted, namely the sum of \$65,000. The Church at large must face the problem as to what shall be done under these circumstances. The debt on July 1, after all the Easter offerings were in and after all the Classes had met and settled for the Classical year, was in round numbers \$18,000.

IRON CHURCHES.—The matter of Iron Churches came up at the July meeting of the Executive Committee in the report of Superintendent Whitmer. The subject had been spoken of prior to this time, but no formal action was taken. These churches cost about \$2,000 and are made in sections, with flooring and wainscoting, so that they can be taken down and moved from place to place as they may be needed. They are imported and the above price includes freight and duties. The Executive Committee authorized Superintendent Whitmer to order one of these churches as soon as he has procured donations for that purpose amounting to \$1,500. That sum has been procured by him and the church will be secured at as early a day as possible, and will be first used by the new mission in West Philadelphia.

THE ENLARGED WORK.—Since the missions have been unified under the General Board there has been a steady enlargement of the work. The number of missions enrolled has increased from year to year. The operations have taken a

wider scope. The work has been more thoroughly organized. The Board is now enabled to better supervise the operations over the whole field. During the past year there has come into the hands of the Board for all the departments of the work \$85,000. The Church Building department is especially prosperous, and has during the ten years past made remarkable progress. Today, the Board has in lots and church buildings property which at a fair estimate, is worth at least \$200,000. This property is under the general supervision of the Board, and requires a great deal of attention on the part of the Board.

OBJECT IN VIEW.—It is the duty and privilege of the Board to help the missions as much as possible, in every way possible. Especially is it the desire of the Board, not only that missions shall become self-sustaining as quickly as possible, but that the missions shall secure their own church homes. The Board is entrusted with the money of the church with which to assist the missions. To this end the Board buys lots for the missions, and in many cases makes loans for the erection of churches. But the object in view is that the missions shall, as speedily as possible, pay back this money to the Board. This is desirable not only to enable the Board to help other worthy missions, but because every mission should hold its church property in its own name. It would be well for the Synods and Classes to encourage the missions within their bounds to put forth their best efforts for the repayment of such funds to the Board.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL MISSIONARY.—After the resignation of Rev. J. C. Horning as Sunday-school missionary, the office remained vacant until September 1, 1901. At the annual meeting of the Board the Sunday-school Board presented the matter of the election of some one to fill again that office. Under the agreement of the two Boards, both joined in the selection of a man for the position. The selection of a man to fill the office properly is not an easy matter. The Sunday-school Board presented the name of Rev. A. C. Dieffenbach as a good man for the position. The General Board of Missions concurred in the selection. It is the understanding between the two Boards, that Missionary Dieffenbach shall begin work in Allegheny, Pa., and remain there for a year or two, or until the Mission Board has the means at hand to take up the mission and sustain

it. Brother Dieffenbach is now at work in Allegheny.

GERMAN MISSIONS.—The missions under the German Boards are making good progress. The two German Boards are doing a good work. There are under the care of these Boards, at the present time, thirty-four missions. For the maintenance of these missions the sum of \$10,000 was raised during the past year and about the same sum expended. These Boards received during the year also the sum of \$3,800 and expended the same for Church Building cause. The whole amount of the Building Funds of the German Boards is now \$35,440. Our German work should be greatly extended.

THE OUTLOOK.—What of the future? The outlook never was better. The missions never were in better condition. There never were as many calls for new missions. The Synodical Boards and Classical committees are continually calling the attention of the Board to new points where Missions should be founded. These additional calls must be taken as evidences that the Lord is giving us work to do. He presents us the opportunities, and we believe that He does this because He has given us the means with which to accomplish much. But the fact must be admitted that the whole Church is not alive to the need of the work. The Church has not furnished the funds that she might have furnished. The Church at large must determine the extent of our operation. According to the funds furnished the Board will extend the borders. The Board pleads for greater liberality.

D. S. FOUSE,
Missionary Superintendent.

ROLL OF THE MISSIONS.

MISSIONS	MISSIONARIES	No. of Congregations	Communicant Members	Additions	Amount raised by the Mission for Congregational use	Amount given for Benevolence	Salary to be paid by the Mission from April 1st, 1901.	Appropriations voted by the Board from April 1st, 1901
OHIO SYNOD								
Akron, Ohio	James S. Freeman	1	214	84	1349	258	900	350
Alliance, Ohio	Harvey E. Kilmer	1	70	38	430	53	150	300
Athens, Mich.	S. L. Runkle	2	50	7	507	48	350	150
Barberton, Ohio	Charles E. Ewing	1	100	83	968	117	300	275
Canton, Ohio	Fred. Strassner	1	65	17	1028	46	200	375
Cleveland, Ohio	Alex. Centorosa	4	210	71	1977	6	325	325
Cleveland, Ohio	Anton Korbel	1	50	....	152	....	50	550
Columbus, Ohio	Sam. B. Yockley, D.D.	1	80	14	1205	45	125	875
Colon, Mich.	Harvey S. Nicholson	3	116	17	847	96	325	175
Detroit, Mich.	Charles W. Brugh	1	47	15	538	170	....	575
Lima, Ohio	Abram D. Wolfinger	1	50	10	897	117	150	625
Mansillon, Ohio	Oliver P. Foust	1	105	12	800	123	350	400
*Ohmer Park, Ohio	Sam. E. Shepp	1	80	....	....	....	....	400
Paulding, Ohio	F. S. Zaugg	1	30	....	....	....	....	200
Springfield, Ohio	Reuben F. Shultz	1	101	6	804	113	350	650
Toledo, Ohio	Edw. D. Wettach, D.D.	1	55	55	178	13	25	1000
Toledo, Ohio, Hung	Alex. Centorosa, Supt.	1	100	100	10	5	....	700
Warren, Ohio	J. J. M. Gruber	1	121	17	1013	150	200	450
Youngstown, Ohio	John M. Kendig, D.D.	2	141	14	1067	189	400	725
PITTSBURG SYNOD								
Apollo, Pa.	D. E. Master	1	151	9	1050	100	500	225
Braddock, Pa.	Alpha K. Kline	1	117	21	978	140	400	400
Buffalo, N. Y.	John M. G. Darms	1	175	87	1175	70	250	175
Buffalo, N. Y.	Adolph Krumpke	1	52	20	2000	100	....	300
Connellsville, Pa.	Andrew J. Heller, D.D.	1	40	12	171	24	....	800
Cumberland, Md.	C. A. Hauser	3	110	12	641	120	275	525
Duquesne, Pa.	John K. Adams	2	45	20	913	16	....	750
Grove City, Pa.	David W. Kerr	3	126	1	575	94	500	150
Johnstown, Pa.	J. Harvey Michley	1	247	31	2101	370	750	250
Johnstown, Pa. Hung.	Frank Canford	1	240	12	1400	5	200	500
New Kensington, Pa.	Daniel E. Leader	1	106	17	593	121	450	450
Pittsburg, Pa.	Paul Konjha	6	600	19	2905	113	275	400
Punkentawney, Pa.	Lewia Reiter	1	52	12	587	113	375	180
Pittsbn, Pa.	Albert B. Bauman	1	26	4	115	10	200	600
Scottdale, Pa.	Charles B. Ferner	2	153	8	875	300	800	150
Sharpsville, Pa.	J. E. Sheets	2	186	5	498	85	425	150
Turtle Creek, Pa.	Tilghman B. Dietz	1	133	23	575	123	575	275
Vandergrift, Pa.	D. Snyder Stephan	1	53	13	440	80	200	500
INTERIOR SYNOD.								
Ablene, Kans.	Charles D. Shafer	1	113	25	700	156	400	300
Altamont, Ill.	G. W. Kerstetter	2	28	6	137	34	250	250
Anna, Ill.	Raymond R. Lackey	2	80	9	1102	88	....	150
Boulder, Iowa	Peter Bock	2	45	....	250	24	300	100
Brandon, Iowa		1	26	1	225	40	125	250
Cheney, Kans.	James R. Lewis	1	74	14	625	125	425	75
Chicago, Ill.	Benjamin B. Royer	1	56	10	767	142	400	1100
Chicago, Ill.	James Dudycha	1	13	....	60	....	....	900
Chicago, Ill.	Alex. Harsanyi	1	102	8	463	20	240	475
Conesville, Iowa		1	70	....	....	....	....	150
Denver, Colo.	D. H. Fouse	1	74	5	2000	40	800	1100
Des Moines, Iowa	H. E. Embhoff	1	19	19	1505	12	....	1000
Edinburg, Ill.	George S. Gill	2	90	6	641	102	400	50
Emporia, Kans.	Lawrence S. Faust	1	23	4	223	54	150	450
Hiawatha, Kans.	Luther L. Hammenpflug	1	102	23	500	70	400	225
Holton, Kans.	Wm. H. Seilhelm	2	53	8	345	17	200	475
Iola, Kans.	Dennis B. Shuey	2	76	4	415	196	225	375
Kansas City, Mo.	W. F. Curtis	1	70	....	500	60	300	750
Leighton, Iowa	George Baumgartel	2	97	13	596	167	375	100

MISSIONS.

MISSIONARIES

		No. of Congregations	Communicant Members.	Additions	Amount raised by the Mission, for Congregational use.	Amount given for Benevolence.	Salary to be paid by the Mission from April 1st, 1901	Appropriations voted by the Board from April 1, 1901.
Lincoln, Neb.	Franklin H. Fisher.	1	71	9	348	42	300	575
Lone Tree, Iowa	John W. Love, D.D.	1	83	4	625	116	450	325
Lyons, Kans.		1	62	2	300	100	150	350
Sioux City, Iowa	Thomas T. Stauffer	1	58	5	455	92	100	650
Shelby, Ill.	John F. Blair.	1	90	4	349	134	300	150
St. Joseph, Mo.	Amos O. Reiter.	1	89	1	803	120	450	85
Tipton, Iowa ..	John N. Naly	1	54	2	154	20	400	300
Crissan, Iowa ..	George V. Walker	1	53	5	368	160	250	275
White Water, Kans.	William C. Baum	1	35	1	216	900		350
Wichita, Kans.	Bruce Griffith	1	16	11	1281	154	425	375
Wilton Junction, Iowa ..	Solomon Ream	2	151	5	332	58	275	200
St. Louis, Mo.	John C. Horning	1	22	9	544	56	100	900
POTOMAC SYNOD.								
Altova, Pa.	John D. Hicks.	1	100	26	1469	50	450	400
Baltimore, Md.	Adam S. Weber	1	350	50	3500	257	720	390
Baltimore, Md.	Wm. I. Stewart	1	215	16	1700	210	780	220
Baltimore, Md.	Robert J. Pilgram	1	147	19	1300	90	175	850
Baltimore, Md.	Charles W. Levan	1	104	7	622	70	425	575
Baltimore, Md.	James M. Mullan.	1	44	45	251	33	75	925
Barrington, N. C.	James D. Andrew	3	122	17	464	87	150	350
Harrisonburg, Va.		1						250
High Point, N. C.	J. C. Leonard	1	32	32	1975			900
Roanoke, Va.	Ellis S. Hay	1	48	15	200	39	100	200
Salisbury, N. C.	W. B. Dultera	1	31		51			750
Thomasville, N. C.	Jacob N. Faust	3	198	15	305	35	220	300
Washington, D. C.	John M. Schlick, D.D.	1	147	27	1073	185	350	750
EASTERN SYNOD.								
Bridgeport, Conn.	Alexander Kalamay	1	200	30	1467	87	360	400
Easton, Pa.	J. W. Gilda							500
Harrisburg, Pa.	Milton H. Sangree	1	117	18	1486	96	450	450
Harrisburg, Pa.	J. Rauch Stein.	1	97	50	900	54	400	600
Mt. Carmel, Pa.	Albert Gousser	1	168	53	1150	122	500	200
New York, N. Y.	Zelton Kutby	2	170	14	850	9	360	600
Norristown, Pa.	Benout Bates	1	137	9	1962	121	420	300
Packerton, Pa.	Wilson S. Hartzell	1	67	15	1100	29	200	300
Philadelphia, Pa.	Aaron Nell	1	135	38	1091	143	500	500
Philadelphia, Pa.	Charles B. Alsapach.	1	220	20	1233	170	800	400
Philadelphia, Pa.	E. W. Middleton.	1	127	18			325	575
Philadelphia, Pa.	J. O. Reagle.	1	130	26	1806	72	325	500
Philadelphia, Pa.	H. E. Jones	1	104	54		50	400	600
Scranton, Pa.	Marion L. Pior	1	96	16	942	88	200	800
South Norwalk, Conn.	Gabriel Dokus	1	92	8	408		120	400
Steelton, Pa.	Alfred P. Driesbach, Ph.D.	1	158	44	902	83	574	300
Trenton, N. J.	Stephen Virag	2	100	13	1101	67	300	400

*Enrolled but not organized.

†Enrolled April 1, 1901

Note—The salaries of the Superintendents, Attorney, Secretary, Treasurer and Field Secretary are the same as last year. The salary of Paul Sommerlatte, Harbor Missionary is \$1,000 as before. The office of Sunday-school Missionary has been vacant all the year. The office of Hungarian Traveling Missionary is vacant.

The running expenses of the Board, including the annual and quarterly meetings, the traveling expenses of the Superintendents and Field Secretary, the postage and exchange, the printing of Annual Report and other printing, in short, all the running expenses outside of the salaries, has been \$1,565.72 during the year.

IV.—Report of Board of Foreign Missions.

To the Synods of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: It is with mingled feelings of pleasure and pain, that we lay before you a brief statement of the condition and outlook of our foreign missions.

JAPAN.—The work in Japan is in a very flourishing condition, and the outlook is most hopeful. There exists, at the present time, a gracious and widespread outpouring of the Spirit of God in the empire. In many places union evangelistic meetings are being held, with unflagging interest on the part of the hearers. Thousands are applying for baptism, and inquiring after the true light, and the missionaries believe that the time of harvest is at hand. This quickening of the Spirit has also been felt, in some measure, in the Sendai district and our missionaries, evangelists and lay workers are taking part in the saving work with the joyous expectation of an unusual ingathering.

TOHOKU GAKUIN.—The past year has brought new strength to the Tohoku Gakuin, by the addition of four teachers, viz: Rev. Allen K. Faust, and three natives of ability. Upwards of sixty students entered at the beginning of the fall term. The restrictions placed by the Educational Department upon mission schools have been modified, and the prospect now is that in a short time they will be removed. It is with regret that the Mission reports the withdrawal of Rev. M. Oshikawa from the school. He has not lost his interest, for he remains a member of the Board of Directors, a special counselor to the school, and promises to resume the presidency in case the way opens in the future. There are at present 11 students in the theological department, 5 in the literary course, and 121 in the general course, or a total of 137. Of this number 53 are Christians. The brightest students are among the converts of the past year. The religious life of the school is good. There is a Young Men's Christian Association with a membership of 70, doing effective work.

GIRLS' SCHOOL.—The Girls' School is in a flourishing condition. The teaching force was crippled for a time, by sickness and by the death of Prof. Fuse, whose loss was deeply felt by teachers and scholars. Miss Catharine Pifer, the new lady teacher, will be in Japan before the meeting of the Synods. All

of the eight graduates this year are Christians. The present enrollment is 15 in the preparatory department; 54 in the regular department, and 17 Bible women and teachers who are doing post graduate work. The interest of the students in Bible study, Sunday-school and church work is one of the hopeful signs.

INDUSTRIAL HOME.—The Industrial Home has come to be recognized as a part of Sendai, and has the confidence of many of the best people of the city. The average number of students was 70. During the year 11 students have united with the Church. The Home is the most fertile field for evangelistic work.

PERSONAL REPORTS.—The personal reports of our missionaries indicate their good health and constant service, and all of them are taxed to the full measure of time and strength with the many duties pressing upon them. We deeply deplore the untimely death of Mrs. Allen K. Faust, the wife of one of our last missionaries to enter the field who, after less than a year's devoted service, was the first one in the Mission to pass away by death. We bespeak the prayers of your reverend body in behalf of her sorely afflicted husband.

CHINA.—The work in our China Mission has been retarded not only by the recent convulsions in that empire, but also by the sad fact of the failing eyesight of Rev. Fred Cromer, in endeavor to study the language, and his consequent resignation. Thus far the Board has not found a man to take his place, but expect to do so in the near future. Our pioneer to China, Rev. W. E. Hoy, has purchased a home at Kuling Estate, some distance from Yo-Chow, where our work will be established. This place is on a high elevation, and a sanitary resort for missionaries during the prostrating heat of Central China's summers. There, at last accounts, he was with his family, busily engaged in the study of the language. In order to strengthen our China Mission, it is the conviction of the Board that we should, at once, commission one male missionary, one medical missionary and two lady helpers. Unless this is done, Brother Hoy's continued self-sacrifice will be of no avail.

CRISIS.—Our work as a whole, in all its branches, is in a vigorous condition. But we have come to the point, that our forces and facilities must be increased, or it will be necessary

to impose a limit upon our growth and restrict its advance. Our missionaries are most urgent in their request for larger appropriations and additional workers. To maintain the work in hand will require an increase of several thousand dollars a year, and to encourage its growing needs, we must have larger resources. If only the full apportionments, already laid upon the congregations, were forthcoming the work could advance splendidly.

DEBT.—For some time past the Board in full confidence, that the pastors and people would supply the means to meet the wants and necessities of our work, viz: to erect missionary dwellings, to purchase additional ground and to aid the Sendai church building, has been heeding the reasonable calls of the missionaries for the increased expenditures, and as a result we have a present indebtedness of \$13,000. Besides, the Mission asks for an increase of \$4,000, in its estimates for 1902, this additional amount is to be devoted to the evangelistic work and the Tohoku Gakuin. With a heavy debt, and an empty treasury, we could not see our way clear to grant this just demand, but postponed action thereon until the next meeting in December, with the earnest hope that the contributions, in the meantime, will warrant us to do so favorably.

APPEAL.—In view of the alarming indebtedness of the Board, the growing needs of the Japan and China Missions, and the slow response of the Church to the continued appeals for help, we most urgently recommend to the several synods that they appoint a time for the earnest discussion of our foreign mission work. In behalf of our faithful band of missionaries, and their vast constituency in Japan and China, we plead with the brethren for such helpful action as will enable us to pay the debt and at the same time extend the work to the glory of God and the salvation of souls. Before God, we dare not relax our activity, nor contract our work, nor restrain our missionaries in the prosecution of their God-given mission. In the name of Jesus, we must go forward.

In behalf of the Board, and by action of the Executive Committee, we lay this special appeal upon the heart of your Synod.

Most cordially yours,

A. R. BARTHOLOMEW,

S. N. CALLENDER, JOHN H. PRUGH.

September 20th, 1901.

Committee.

**V.—An Overture Concerning Grace Reformed Church,
Washington, D. C.**

To the Reverend Synod of the Potomac:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Board of Missions of General Synod feels warranted in bringing to the special attention of the Synods, the peculiar and imperative need of Grace Reformed church in the city of Washington, D. C. The improved condition of the mission as shown by its increased membership and attendance has for some time shown that the present small chapel is inadequate.

Efforts have been made during the year to secure funds for the construction of a suitable church building, but up to the present time only \$9,000 have been obtained from individuals and churches for this purpose. It is apparent, whatever may be the reasons assigned, that the movement has not received the encouragement to which it is entitled in view of the interests involved.

The Board, therefore, feels impelled to commend anew this important interest, and hereby overtures your Synod to give it your earnest attention, and to devise such vigorous and generous action as may make possible the erection and completion of the proposed new building during the coming Synodical year. Can you not by some means bring this cause promptly before the ministry and membership of the Synod before the close of 1901?

The time is peculiarly opportune, and we entertain the hope that the cause will so commend itself to our ministry and people as to secure their cordial co-operation and liberal support. We feel that not only the needs of Grace Reformed mission, but the interests and honor of the Reformed Church in the United States, justify the overture and appeal which we herewith submit to your reverend body.

T. J. BARKLEY,
Secretary.

PITTSBURGH, PA., Oct. 1, 1901.

A correct copy of the original action.

VI.—Report of Standing Committee on Missions.

The report of the Standing Committee on Missions was presented on Saturday during the morning session. It was considered item by item and finally adopted as a whole.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN.—The following named documents were placed in the hands of your committee:

1. Report of the Board of Missions (for Eastern and Potomac Synods).

2. Report of Treasurer of the Board of Missions (for Eastern and Potomac Synods).

3. Annual report of the Board of Home Missions (General Synod).

4. Overture from General Synod's Board asking this Synod to fix a time for the early consideration at its annual sessions of the report of the Standing Committee on Missions.

Also a resolution that this Synod recommend that the report of the Committee on Missions be made the order of day for ten o'clock on Saturday morning of the annual sessions.

5. Overture from General Synod's Board with reference to the Memorial church at Washington, D. C.

6. Statement and appeal from a committee of the Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions.

In a review of the past year from the papers in our hands we glean the following facts:

1. HOME MISSIONS. There are 99 missions under the General Board, and 34 under the German Boards—a total of 133. Twenty-two of those under the General Board are within the bounds of this Synod, and not one of them is without a pastor.

1. Five missions became self-supporting, three of which are located in this Synod. New churches and parsonages were built, already existing church buildings were enlarged, and new English missions were enrolled. Three new Hungarian congregations were organized, and two additional pastors have been called from Hungary.

The General Superintendent says that "since the missions have been unified under the General Board there has been a steady enlargement of the work. The number of missions enrolled has increased from year to year. The operations have taken a wider scope. The work has been more thoroughly organized."

2. Eighty-five thousand dollars were received for all departments of the work. In lots and church buildings the General Board owns property worth, at a fair estimate, \$200,000.

Several things merit special attention in connection with the financial income for the year. Twenty Building Funds were received, some of which were completed, and others paid in full. All of them except one, were \$500 funds. The number of Church Building Funds received exceeded the number of any previous year. It is cheering to add that at least six other funds have been begun by various parties to be completed at their convenience. It is also cause for rejoicing that in the matter of apportionments for Church Building Funds a number of Classes paid in full the six cents per member asked for.

An example of liberality worthy of imitation was a donation of \$3,000.

The amount paid on the apportionments by the Classes of this Synod was \$17,322, of which its 22 missions received \$8,500. The amount paid on apportionment by both the Eastern and Potomac Synods was \$24,997. The superintendent for these two Synods notes that "the response from the churches in the payment of the apportionments has been more favorable during the past year, the increase from the two Synods being over \$3,000."

3. Rev. D. N. Dittmar having accepted the challenge of the Board, began his work as Field Secretary, February 1, 1901.

Rev. A. C. Dieffenbach was selected as Sunday-school Missionary, the position after the resignation of Rev. J. C. Horning having remained vacant until September 1, of this year.

II. FOREIGN MISSIONS. The report from the Foreign field has, like that of the Home field, many encouraging features,

The work in Japan is in a flourishing condition. There is in the Empire today a gracious and wide-spread outpouring of the spirit of God. This quickening has been measurably felt in the Sendai district, and our missionaries, evangelists and lay-workers are taking part in the work of soul saving with the joyful expectation of an unusual ingathering.

The Tohoku Gakuin has been strengthened by the addition of four teachers, one of our missionaries and three native helpers. The Educational Department of the Government has modified the restrictions that had been placed upon the mission schools, and the prospect is they will soon be entirely removed. The number of male students in attendance is 137, of whom 53 are Christians. A Young Men's Christian Association, connected with the Institution, and doing effective work, numbers 70. The Girls' School, which is continuing its good work, and whose influence is becoming more widely felt, enrolled 86 girls and young ladies. The Industrial Home, the most fertile field for evangelistic work, has an average of 70 in the number of its attendance.

The work in China, whilst not suffering from the convulsion in the Empire as it did a year ago, is retarded by lack of sufficient working force. The Board expresses the conviction that additional workers should be commissioned at once.

In view of the indebtedness of the Board, to which reference will be made further on, and the growing need of the Japan and China Missions, and the slow response of the Church to the continued appeals for help, the Board asks that Synod appoint a time for the earnest discussion of our Foreign Mission work.

III. HOME AND FOREIGN MISSIONS.—The work has gone forward, necessary aggressive steps have been taken, appeals for organization that the Gospel may be regularly preached, have been granted, an increase in liberality has marked the people of our Reformed Zion, the borders of the Church have been enlarged in Home and Foreign lands, but the fact remains that the activity of the Boards has not been met by a sufficient financial response on the part of our people. Notwithstanding the increase in liberality the people of our churches have not come up to the measure of their ability. Consequently the Boards of both our Home and our Foreign Missions are in debt, the Home Board to the extent of \$18,508.94, and the Foreign Board, \$13,000.

IV. The foregoing review briefly outlines the situation. There is great reason for thanksgiving to Almighty God for what in His name and under the efficient agency of the Holy Spirit, has been accomplished. There is deep regret that any

conditions exist which have rendered impossible the work that should have been done, and which imperatively demands to be done. Our Church can not fail to heed the demand without injury to herself. Enlarged responsibilities exist because of enlarged opportunities. Enlarged opportunities are the workings of Divine Providence. God has opened the doors. The open doors are His challenge to the Church. He calls her to put on her strength. He knows her resources. He calls that they be laid on the altar of His service. And He does not require the impossible. Who then will consecrate this day unto the Lord—himself, his energies, his life, his means?

Among the calls that come to us from the Home field, in louder, clearer, more certain tones than ever before, is the call from the capital of the nation, the call of Grace Reformed Mission in the city of Washington, D. C. By the foul hand of anarchy, President McKinley, the beloved and sagacious Christian leader of the people, was stricken down, and his body lies entombed today in the place of resting near his Canton home. We bow in humble submission before an inscrutable but all-wise Providence. The mantle of office has fallen upon another Chief Magistrate, President Roosevelt, of our own Reformed faith. He is an attendant upon the services held in the unpretentious and wholly inadequate chapel, in which the congregation of Grace Reformed Mission meets for worship. The presence there of the President of the United States has brought our Church prominently to the public eye, and given to it a more national importance. God's Providence seems thus plainly to point to a larger national recognition of that Church of the Reformation—our Reformed Church—which more largely than any other, in the principles taught at Zurich and Geneva, laid the foundation for the civil and religious liberties of a people. And God's Providence seems to call to us to rise to the occasion, and at once put forth efforts which in a material way shall appear in a substantial and commodious church building, the Memorial Reformed church of Washington.

V. We offer the following resolutions for your action:

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod hereby expresses its gratitude to God for His blessing upon our Mission work, and through the Classes commends the work anew to the members of our churches, earnestly urging them to contribute cheer-

fully to its support to the full extent of their ability, that the apportionments may be paid in full, and additionally as much more be contributed as possible.

2. *Resolved*, That Synod comply with the request of the Committee of the Foreign Mission Board for the appointment of a time for the discussion of the Foreign Mission work, by making such discussion the order of day for ten o'clock on Monday morning next.

In answer to the General Board's overture in reference to the early consideration of the report of Synod's Standing Committee on Missions, we suggest the following:

3. *Resolved*, That this Synod heartily approves of this desire and purpose of the Board of Home Missions, and trusts that coming Synods may so order.

In answer to the overture with reference to the church at Washington, we suggest the following resolutions:

4. *Resolved*, That we acknowledge the special Providence of God in the case of our church at Washington, and recognize it as a direct call to us and the Reformed Church at large to provide funds for the erection of a suitable church edifice.

5. *Resolved*, That this Synod hereby specifies for apportionment upon the Classes such sum for the Memorial church at Washington, as in the judgment of Synod is a proportionate expression of our financial ability when compared with the reported benevolence of the other District Synods, Pittsburg and Potomac, and urges upon the Classes earnestly to impress upon their congregations the vital importance of paying at an early date the sums respectively apportioned.

Respectfully submitted.

JNO. H. SECHLER, D. A. WINTER,
R. M. KERN, F. W. VANDERSLOOT.

Additional action was taken in regard to the Memorial Reformed church, Washington, D. C., by the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved, That this Synod pledges toward the erection of the Memorial Reformed church in Washington, D. C., the sum of ten thousand dollars.

Resolved, That the Finance Committee be directed to designate in a separate item the minimum amount, on the basis

of membership, needed from each of the several Classes to raise the aforesaid \$10,000, letting each Classis free to adopt its own plan of securing the amount thus designated.

Resolved, That each Classis be requested to call a special meeting within the next month to devise some method of raising the amount asked of it by this Synod before the next annual meeting of such Classis.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to communicate this action to the President of each Classis at the earliest possible date.

In regard to the work of Foreign Missions, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod has heard with pleasure of the encouraging growth of our work in China and Japan, and earnestly urges the Classes and congregations to at least pay the apportionments and as much more as possible, and also in view of the outpouring of God's Spirit in Japan, we urge our pastors and congregations to increased prayer for the salvation of the heathen in that land.

The following persons were elected members of the Board of Home Missions: Revs. E. N. Kremer, C. S. Gerhard, S. R. Bridenbaugh, T. J. Hacker, C. B. Schneder, and Elders John J. Nissley and C. M. Bower, Esq.

Rev. A. Carl Whitmer was chosen by Synod as Superintendent of Missions.

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

The annual report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was received and the vacancy occurring in the Board was referred to the Committee on Nominations; also the report of the Treasurer of Synod, which was referred to Committee on Finance.

The report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was duly considered item by item and finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

Report of Trustees of Synod.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN.—Your Board of Trustees desires to call the attention of your honorable body to the large

arrears on the apportionment for interest on the debt of the Allentown College for Women. Seven hundred dollars was apportioned, and of this amount only \$150 was paid, compelling the Treasurer of Synod to use \$318.61 that had been collected for the reduction of the debt, and in addition borrow \$237.19 out of the Contingent Fund of Synod.

Shall he continue to use Synod's Contingent Fund if the apportionment upon the Classis for interest be not paid, or default the interest? The Treasurer asks for definite instruction on this point.

The term of Daniel Schaffner will expire on January 1, 1902. To fill this vacancy the Board nominated Samuel M. Gingrich of Swatara Station, and Wellington M. Leinbach, of Reading, Pa., a member of Lebanon Classis.

The Board is constituted as follows: Dr. A. B. Dundore, term expires 1906, Jan. 1; Rev. S. A. Leinbach, term expires 1905, Jan. 1; Rev. J. W. Steinmetz, term expires 1904, Jan. 1; J. J. Nissley, term expires 1903, Jan. 1; Daniel Schaffner, term expires, 1902, Jan. 1.

The funds are all carefully invested under Treasurer Nissley's judicious management.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. STEINMETZ,

President of the Board of Trustees.

St. John's Reformed church parsonage, Reading, Oct. 14, 1901.

Report of Treasurer of Synod.

John J. Nissley, Treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

CONTINGENT FUND GENERAL SYNOD.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis.....	\$140 30
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	262 00
Tohickon Classis	25 38
Wyoming Classis	87 71
Lehigh Classis	265 00
Philadelphia Classis	218 80
Goshenhoppen Classis	185 00
East Susquehanna Classis.....	166 43
Lancaster Classis	20 28
Lebanon Classis	150 00
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	\$1.520 90

CR.

Paid Wm. C. Barnhart, Treasurer.....	\$1.520 90
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CONTINGENT FUND EASTERN SYNOD.

Dr.

1900.

Oct. 15. To balance in treasury.....		\$655 49
Reading Classis	\$56 00	
Schuylkill Classis	37 00	
Tohickon Classis	52 00	
Wyoming Classis	45 05	
Lehigh Classis	80 00	
Lebanon Classis	68 00	
Philadelphia Classis	139 36	
Goshenhoppen Classis	44 50	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	53 20	
Lancaster Classis	65 67	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	37 00	
		677 78
Amt. transferred from Sem'y Acct. for repairs to Dr. Gerhart's house		566 91
		<u>\$1,900 18</u>

Cr.

Paid traveling expenses J. J. Nissley.....	\$2 25	
Paid traveling expenses Daniel Schaffner.....	4 47	
Paid traveling expenses Rev. J. W. Steinmetz.....	1 07	
Paid R. O'Boyle, for use of church at Sunbury, Pa..	20 00	
Paid Rev. T. J. Hacker, D.D., expenses as Chairman Permanent Standing Committee on Sunday-schools	29 15	
Paid Rev. T. O. Stem, ex-Chairman Endowment Committee F. and M. College.....	7 35	
Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D., expenses as member and Secretary of the Board of Visitors, Theological Seminary	4 00	
Paid for U. S. revenue stamps.....	1 05	
Rev. J. P. Stein, salary as Stated Clerk.....	175 00	
Refd. Ch. Pub. Board, printing Minutes of Synod...	265 95	
Lancaster Sheet Metal Co., bal. for heating Dr. Gerhart's house	101 55	
Rev. J. P. Stein, Stated Clerk, expediting Minutes of Synod	32 15	
Jere. S. Hess, expenses as member of the Board of Trustees, Theological Seminary.....	14 01	
J. H. Stein, Esq., expenses as member of the Board of Trustees, Theological Seminary.....	5 00	
Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., expenses as member of the Board of Visitors, Theological Seminary.....	2 45	
Interest on bonds Allentown College for Women....	237 19	
W. R. Hendricks, printing.....	2 25	
1901.		
Oct. 14. Balance in treasury.....	995 29	\$1,900 18

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis	\$1,234 20
Tohickon Classis	1,563 58
Lebanon Classis	1,090 06
Reading Classis	2,065 69
Wyoming Classis	1,047 13
West Susquehanna Classis.....	1,370 76
Goshenhoppen Classis	1,578 74
Lehigh Classis	2,275 00

East Pennsylvania Classis	\$1,411 65	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	1,382 49	
Lancaster Classis	1,279 33	
Philadelphia Classis	1,734 55	
	<hr/>	\$18,033 18

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$18,033 18
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HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis	\$92 00	
Philadelphia Classis	290 87	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	93 00	
Tohickon Classis	108 47	
Lehigh Classis	170 00	
Wyoming Classis	78 52	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	42 08	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	207 22	
Goshenhoppen Classis	150 00	
Lancaster Classis	153 92	
Lebanon Classis	122 58	
Reading Classis	298 00	
	<hr/>	\$1,806 66

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$1,806 66
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HARBOR MISSIONS.

DR.

Reading Classis	\$63 00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	4 76	
Tohickon Classis	22 64	
Schuylkill Classis	30 36	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	13 00	
Lehigh Classis	30 00	
Lebanon Classis	33 00	
Wyoming Classis	22 07	
Goshenhoppen Classis	36 00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	64 00	
Lancaster Classis	27 05	
Philadelphia Classis	29 50	
	<hr/>	\$375 38

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$375 38
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GERMAN MISSION WORK.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis	\$43 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	64 00	
Wyoming Classis	56 59	
Reading Classis	245 00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	39 56	
Lancaster Classis	114 10	
Lehigh Classis	170 00	
Philadelphia Classis	40 00	
Tohickon Classis	49 10	
Lebanon Classis	74 00	
	<hr/>	\$895 35

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$895 35
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CHURCH BUILDING.**Dr.**

Schuylkill Classis	\$60 00	
Tohickon Classis	222 88	
Lebanon Classis	111 85	
Reading Classis	517 00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	293 16	
Goshenhoppen Classis	150 00	
Lehigh Classis	200 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	181 55	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	52 60	
Lancaster Classis	183 41	
Philadelphia Classis	179 00	
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		\$2,151 45

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$2,151 45
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SEMINARY AND GERHART FUND.**Dr.**

Abraham Fackler, 12 mo. int. Keiffer Legacy.....	\$225 00	
John H. Goss, 12 mo. int. Keiffer Legacy.....	100 00	
W. T. Clay, 12 mo. int. Keiffer Legacy.....	100 00	
Leonard Mountz, 6 mo. int. Keiffer Legacy.....	62 50	
S. S. Shenk and sisters, 12 mo. int. Cooke Legacy...	60 00	
Henry Alleman, 12 mo. int. Gerhart Legacy.....	18 00	
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		\$565 50

Cr.

Paid J. L. Lemberger, Treas. Foreign Missions, 12 mo. int. Gerhart Fund.....	\$6 00	
Paid John Hertzler, Treas. Board of Education, 12 mo. int. Gerhart Fund.....	6 00	
Paid John J. Nissley, Treas. Board of Missions, 12 mo. int. Gerhart Fund.....	6 00	
Paid John B. Roth, Treas. Theological Seminary, int. Keiffer Legacy.....	487 50	
Paid John B. Roth, Treas., 12 mo. int. Cooke Legacy	60 00	
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		\$565 50

CURRENT EXPENSES THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.**Dr.**

Schuylkill Classis	\$104 61	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	70 00	
Lancaster Classis	77 95	
Reading Classis	168 00	
Wyoming Classis	82 35	
Tohickon Classis	89 06	
Lehigh Classis	145 00	
Philadelphia Classis	57 25	
Goshenhoppen Classis	116 50	
Lebanon Classis	49 10	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	43 45	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	74 00	
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		\$1,077 27

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer.....	\$510 36	
Cr. Contingent Expense Acct. for repairs to Dr. Gerhart's house	566 91	
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		\$1,077 27

CATAWBA COLLEGE.**Dr.**

Schuylkill Classis	\$77 00
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	36 00

Reading Classis	\$105 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	86 80	
Wyoming Classis	30 23	
Lancaster Classis	48 78	
Lehigh Classis	55 00	
Philadelphia Classis	70 81	
Lebanon Classis	40 00	
		\$549 62

CR.

Paid Rev. J. A. Foil, D.D., Treasurer.....	\$549 62
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

1900.

DR.

Oct. 15. Balance in treasury.....	\$1,097 43	
From Rev. J. W. Knappenberger.....	225 00	
		\$1,322 43

CR.

Paid Estate Robt. E. Wright on acct. second bond.	\$1,000 00	
Paid accrued interest on same.....	3 82	
Balance transferred to Interest Account.....	318 61	
		\$1,322 43

ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN—Interest Account.

DR.

Lehigh Classis	\$94 00	
Reading Classis	40 00	
Schuylkill Classis	16 00	
Amt. transferred from Bond Acct.....	318 61	
Amt. transferred from Contingent Expense Acct.....	237 19	
		\$705 80

CR.

Paid 11 mos. interest on \$14,000 bonds to Oct. 1, 1901.....	\$705 80
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JOHN J. NISSLEY,
Treasurer Eastern Synod.

HUMMELSTOWN, PA., October 14, 1901.

We, the undersigned Auditors, have examined the report of John J. Nissley, Treasurer of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, and have found the same correct.

SAMUEL A. LEINBACH,
DANIEL SCHAFFNER.

CLASSES.	Synodical Contingent.	ARREARAGES.		Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	German Missions.	Church Building Purposes.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.	General Synod Contingent.
		Harbor Missions.	Home Missions.						
Schuylkill		\$26 64	\$465 80	\$118 00	\$114 00	\$236 00	\$12 39	\$27 00	.....
Tohickon		28 11	786 42	186 53	166 90	193 12	76 28	59 00	.....
Lebanon	\$70 00	65 00	2109 94	273 42	217 00	447 15	216 90	80 00	\$145 00
Reading		15 40	336 79	21 00	.....	.....	.....	24 00	.....
Wyoming		38 48	652 87	131 48	100 41	296 00	77 95	43 00	.....
West Susquehanna..		1 00	339 24	2 78	157 00	2 84	.....	43 00	160 00
Goshenhoppen	51 87	37 00	471 26	107 00	187 00	212 00	.....	52 00	.....
Lehigh		81 00	1425 00	294 00	162 00	455 00	44 00	.....	.....
East Pennsylvania...	60 00	79 00	1588 35	277 00	186 00	342 45	157 83	75 00	.....
East Susquehanna...	11 95	57 03	367 51	175 92	117 44	255 40	99 33	45 00	.....
Lancaster		40 95	770 67	86 08	60 90	154 59	44 80	49 00	.....
Philadelphia		44 50	365 45	.....	151 00	189 00	106 85	53 00	.....
		\$193 82	\$497 71	\$9669 80	\$1673 21	\$2783 55	\$235 83	\$559 00	\$305 00

Report of the Committee on Raising Money Toward the Purchase of Allentown College for Women.

In response to Item 10 (sub-item b) in report on Minutes of Synod, the following report was presented on Friday morning and adopted:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN.—As chairman of the Committee on Raising Money Toward the Purchase of Allentown College for Women by the Eastern Synod, we beg leave to make the following report:

We regret to say that very little has been done during the past year because of the unwillingness of pastors to open their charges for canvass at this time. The excuses offered by pastors in response to our request to be permitted to present the cause of Allentown College for Women are various, such as, local indebtedness, the raising of the apportionment, the claims of the Washington church, and other interests toward which they must contribute.

We have during the year placed into the hands of the Treasurer of Synod toward this object \$113.50, the greater portion of which was received from pledges which had previously been made. This makes a total of \$6,333.93 thus far secured, leaving a balance of \$13,666.07 still to be raised, a small part of which is covered by pledges.

We would respectfully remind the Synod that its obligation to pay the interest on this amount means a loss to the Church of nearly \$800 per annum, and the members of Synod can readily see that it is urgent that the indebtedness be removed as speedily as possible.

In order that this may be done in an effective and systematic way, we recommend the designation of an Allentown College for Women Day to be observed annually within the bounds of the Synod until the indebtedness is entirely removed.

We further recommend that said Allentown College for Women Day be observed on the last Sunday in May, or any other Sunday nearest that date which may be most convenient, for the purpose of receiving contributions toward the purchase of the College, the committee meanwhile prosecuting its special canvass until the necessary amount be in hand.

In view of the above recommendations we request the Synod to instruct the various Classes to bring the importance and urgency of this matter to the careful attention of pastors and congregations, and to take such action that the latter may give it their hearty cooperation.

The committee will cheerfully assist the pastors in complying with this request by furnishing them literature and collection envelopes in such quantities as may be deemed necessary.

With sincere gratitude to the pastors and people who have thus far so kindly aided the committee and hoping for a speedy consummation of the work assigned us, we respectfully submit this, our fifth annual report.

THOMAS W. DICKERT, *Chairman*.

The personnel of the committee remains the same as last year, namely: Thomas W. Dickert, Chairman; Lebanon Classis, Rev. I. Calvin Fisher; Philadelphia Classis, Rev. D. U. Wolff; Lancaster Classis, Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D.; East Susquehanna Classis, Rev. Robert O'Boyle; West Susquehanna Classis, Rev. F. W. Brown; Goshenhoppen Classis, Rev. J. E. Freeman; Tohickon Classis, Rev. C. B. Weaver; Lehigh Classis, Rev. D. E. Schoedler, D.D.; Schuylkill Classis, Rev. Elmer E. Noll; Reading Classis, Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D.; Wyoming Classis, Rev. S. E. Stofflett.

Report of Standing Committee on Finance.

The report on Finance was received and acted on item by item during Monday's session and finally adopted.

Your Committee on Finance would respectfully submit the following as their report, namely:

That the Treasurer's Report was referred to your committee and that it had been audited and found substantially correct.

The following specified amounts were referred to us for apportionment among the several Classis:

Allentown College for Women.....	\$700 00
Synodical Contingent.....	600 00
Harbor Missions.....	490 00
Home Missions.....	27,850 00
Foreign Missions.....	17,150 00
Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.....	3,450 00
German Missions.....	25 00

Church Building.. .. .	4,870 00
Seminary Aid.....	1,275 00
Catawba College.....	1,000 00
Memorial Reformed Church, Washington..	10,000 00

The amounts are apportioned as follows:

	Synodical Contingent.	Harbor Missions.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	German Missions	Church Building Purposes.	Seminary Aid.	Washington Church.	Catawba College.	Allentown College for Women.
Apportionments	\$800	\$490	\$27850	\$17150	\$3480	\$2500	\$4870 86	\$1275	\$10000 00	\$1000	\$700
E. Pennsylvania	80	51	2000	1849	370	249	524 00	127	1139 12	108	75
Lebanon	70	53	2200	1977	396	291	559 00	144	1075 43	115	80
Philadelphia	46	38	2100	1296	261	191	262 00	99	755 03	76	53
Lancaster	42	35	2050	1182	240	175	338 00	86	749 13	69	49
East Susquehanna.	38	33	1750	1083	213	157	308 00	81	629 42	63	45
West Susquehanna	37	32	1700	1033	210	157	296 00	80	574 02	61	43
Tohickon	62	42	2250	1486	295	216	416 00	110	842 72	95	66
Coateshoppen	45	37	2050	1277	257	187	362 00	96	727 43	74	52
Lehigh	60	41	2700	2216	464	322	655 80	171	1246 23	135	94
Schuylkill	37	32	1700	1033	210	157	296 00	79	629 53	61	43
Wyoming	37	32	1700	1033	210	157	296 00	79	651 23	61	43
Reading	56	44	2550	1595	319	231	452 00	118	881 72	92	64

Respectfully submitted.

J. W. MEMINGER,
THOS. M. YUNDT,

G. W. KERSCHNER,
SAMUEL HOOD.

The following resolution was presented and adopted:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of Synod is hereby instructed to pay the interest due on the bonds of the Allentown College for Women, out of the apportionments made by Synod for that purpose; but if he has not sufficient money on hand to pay the interest when due, he is permitted to borrow the amount necessary from the Contingent Fund, which amount is to be repaid as soon as possible.

An order of \$25 was granted on the Treasurer in favor of the pastor of Heidelberg church, Philadelphia, for the use of the church in holding the sessions of Synod.

On Saturday during the afternoon session the election was held for a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod, which resulted in the choice of Elder W. M. Leinbach as a member of the Board for the term of five years.

Elder John J. Nissley was re-elected as Treasurer of Synod.

ARTICLE XVI.

APPEALS AND REFERENCES.

The judgment of the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes in regard to several items contained in the report under the head of Irregularities was confirmed.

Appeal of Buffalo Valley Charge.

The item in report on Minutes of Classes under the head of Appeal was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. Dr. S. R. Bridenbaugh, J. W. Meminger and Elder Leidy Scheip, who presented the following report, which was adopted, to wit:

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON APPEAL FROM ACTION OF WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

Your committee to whom was referred the appeal from the action of West Susquehanna Classis respectfully report that when we came to examine into the case no papers were on hand, and no persons were present to prosecute the appeal, therefore no further action by this Synod is required.

S. R. BRIDENBAUGH, *Chairman.*

The Action of the Classes on the Advisability of Holding Special Meetings Soon After the Adjournment of Synod.

The Action of Classes on the subject of holding special meetings soon after adjournment of Synod as reported in Minutes of Classes under the head of "Subjects Referred," was referred for tabulation to a special committee consisting of Revs. Drs. N. Z. Snyder, E. N. Kremer, Geo. P. Stem, Elders Wm. Ditty and E. M. Ressler, who presented the following report which was adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

BRETHREN: Your committee to whom was referred the action of the several Classes on the request of Synod in that the Classes meet in special session soon after the adjournment of Synod (see Minutes of Synod 1900, p. 95), said committee having been instructed to tabulate the answers of the Classes to said request, respectfully reports:

We find that five Classes acceded to the request of Synod,

viz: Philadelphia, pp. 44 and 50; Lancaster, p. 38; Lehigh, p. 33; Tohickon, p. 16; Schuylkill, p. 20.

Lebanon acceded the request conditionally.

East Pennsylvania referred the request to a special committee which failed to report.

Goshenhoppen overlooked the item and took no action thereon.

Four Classes declined to comply with the request, viz: West Susquehanna, p. 36; East Susquehanna, p. 39; Wyoming, p. 46; Reading, p. 64.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Z. SNYDER, *Chairman.*

The following additional action on this subject was adopted:

Resolved, That the proposition concerning the advisability of the several Classes holding special meetings in the fall of the year soon after the adjournment of Synod, to act on various items of business referred by Synod, be and hereby is referred to the several Classes for further consideration.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

The following report of the General Sunday-school Board and also the report of the Permanent Committee of Synod on Sunday-schools were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Sunday-schools, except the item referring to a vacancy, which was referred to Standing Committee on Nominations.

Annual Report of the General Sunday School Board.

DEAR BRETHREN: The past year has been one of progress in Sunday-school work.

THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

The operations of the Business Department have been satisfactory. The cash receipts for the year were \$44,587.25, and, including the balance of cash on hand from the preceding year, there was an actual increase of cash receipts of \$5,985.18. The total sales for the year amounted to \$45,786.60. The net earnings, as indicated in the exhibit of assets and liabilities given in this report, were \$4,012.99. To this net gain for the year

should be added the \$1,000 royalty paid to the Reformed Church Publication Board and the royalty of \$135 on the Sunday-school Hymnal to the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows. This gratifying exhibit is due largely to the increased patronage of our Reformed schools and, in part, to the enlargement of our sales to the Sunday-schools of other denominations including the Reformed Church in America and the Christian Reformed Church.

The circulation of our periodicals shows a steady gain, the aggregate circulation on April 1, 1901, being 285,992.

The following is the financial exhibit of assets and liabilities of the Business Department.

ASSETS.

Cash on hand at Philadelphia and Reading.....	\$5,246 56
Accounts due from schools, dealers, etc.....	5,846 69
Merchandise, stock, 10 per cent. less than cost price	5,724 90
Paper on hand for periodicals.....	1,268 39
Plates, including S. S. Hymnal plates, 2d edition...	1,200 00
Furniture and fixtures.....	300 00
	<hr/> \$19,586 54

LIABILITIES.

Capital, April 1, 1900.....	\$10,670 80
Cash recd. in advance for periodicals not supplied.	4,157 16
Accounts payable	610 59
Royalty, S. S. Hymnal, due Society for Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.....	135 00
	<hr/> \$15,573 55
Net gain.....	\$4,012 99
Royalty paid to Reformed Church Publication Board for year ending April 1, 1901.....	\$1,000 00

It will be noted that it is necessary to carry a large number of accounts representing amounts due from our schools and that large amounts of money must be expended for our periodicals in advance of the date of publication. Keeping these facts in mind in connection with the growth of the Business Department it is plain that a large part of the earnings of the Business Department must be used for the present to increase the capital and make it possible to conduct the Business Department on a cash basis. However, it is the policy of the Board to appropriate annually from the earnings of the Business Department a sum as large as possible to the Sunday-school and Missionary Department. Eight hundred dollars (\$800) have thus been appropriated for the last year from the earnings of the Business Department.

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The Sunday-school and Missionary Department has its own treasury, and all offerings from Schools pass directly into this treasury. Not one cent of the offerings from our schools is used for the Business Department.

The abstract of the report of the Treasurer, Dr. J. H. Bomberger, of the Sunday-school and Missionary Department is as follows:

1900.	DR.	
April 16.	Balance on hand.....	\$340 26
1901.		
April 1.	To cash received to date, viz:	
	Offerings of Sunday-schools.....	1,967 75
	Sales of Children's Day Services.....	357 81
	Appropriation from Business Departm't	800 00
	Expenses Board Meeting (2-3 refunded)	75 76
	Half share typewriter.....	17 50
		<hr/> \$3,559 08
	CR.	
	Salary of four Sunday-school missionaries and one-third salary of the General Secretary.....	\$1,116 68
	Special literature, postage, and office expenses.....	179 68
	Traveling expenses of the General Secretary.....	18 79
	Attorney's expenses	20 00
	Grants of literature and printing of Children's Day Services.....	1,316 91
	"Tidings" settlement	716 93
		<hr/> \$3,494 88
	Balance on hand, April 1, 1901.....	\$64 20

As usual, the Sunday-school and Missionary Department has aided a large number of schools with Grants of Literature, and Sunday-school mission work has been done as far as the funds permitted. In co-operation with the Board of Home Missions the Rev. A. C. Dieffenbach has been elected to the office of Sunday-school Missionary, and is now at work in the city of Allegheny, Pa. Helpful Sunday-school mission work has been done during the past year in North Carolina, Pennsylvania, Indiana, and Michigan. This important branch of mission work is coming to be appreciated, and it is hoped that the time will not be far distant, when it will be possible for the Board to employ a number of Sunday-school missionaries. Sunday-school mission work is so economical and so helpful in the rapid development of mission fields that it deserves to receive serious consideration at your hands.

NEW PUBLICATIONS.

In order to meet the demands of our schools the Board is giving special attention to the subject of supplemental material intended for the graded Sunday-schools. A little booklet entitled "Bible Studies in the form of Questions and Answers," prepared by Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D., containing supplemental material for the Junior Department, has been issued. A Primary Sunday-school Hymnal will be issued this fall which, in addition to containing the primary hymns of the Sunday-school Hymnal and a carefully selected number of other primary hymns, will have a large amount of supplemental material for use in the primary classes. Several other books will be published for the purpose of informing and helping Sunday-school teachers and young people in the history, life, and work of our Reformed Church.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

In this connection we beg to recommend to your reverend body that action should be taken with reference to the graded school and teacher training. The graded school has run the gauntlet of criticism and has come to be regarded by the foremost Sunday-school workers as a necessary forward movement in Sunday-school instruction. Changes are in contemplation which will adapt the present system of the International Lessons to the several departments of the school, but there is needed also a graded course of study supplemental to the regular lessons, a course which will follow pedagogical rather than sentimental lines. To prepare the way for the general use of such a course, action is needed by the ecclesiastical bodies of the Church, and earnest efforts must be put forth on the part of ministers and church officers.

We recommend that at this time special attention be given to the question of teacher training. The efficiency of our Sunday-schools in a large degree is a matter of the efficiency of its teaching force. A good teacher will neutralize deficiencies of arrangements of rooms and grading. Christian personality enriched by knowledge and power to teach is necessary to the training of the youth of the Church in Christian doctrine and living. The teacher is the unit of force and influence in the Sunday-school. The trained teacher is the hope of better

things in the modern Sunday-school. We trust your reverend body will urge the organization of Normal Classes in every school in our Church. The teachers of such classes might be found in the trained ministry. The teaching office of the ministry needs emphasis.

The Twentieth Century Movement has been of benefit to the schools and the Church not only in increasing the membership of the schools but also in calling attention to the necessity of trained teachers. Scholars can best be held by the attraction of intelligent and specially prepared teachers. As a help to this desirable end the Board is constantly endeavoring to improve *The Heidelberg Teacher* as a Bible study magazine and as a journal of Sunday-school methods. The circulation of the *Teacher* has practically doubled within the last five years, but there are yet a considerable number of our teachers who do not receive this periodical. Special efforts will be made this fall to call the attention of all our teachers to the value of the *Heidelberg Teacher*.

We trust the attention of every school in the Church through the action of Synods, Classes, and the efforts of pastors and consistories will be called to the importance of more Bible study and more faithful work. In the new century we need to be unwearied in the effort to push forward movements so as to help and influence every school in the Church. We ought not to be satisfied with anything short of the best. As responsible stewards of the Lord's work let us pray for Divine wisdom and guidance, and let us adopt such measures as will secure more intelligent Bible study and teachers fitted for the teaching and training of the children and young people of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

C. CLEVER, *President*,

RUFUS W. MILLER, *General Sec'y.*

Report of the Permanent Committee on Sunday Schools.

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee held two meetings during the year, the first at Sunbury, Pa., October 20, 1900, where the committee organized by electing Rev. T. J. Hacker president, and S. P. Heilman, M.D., secretary. The second meeting was held in Philadelphia, Pa., October 16, 1901, in joint ses-

sion with the Classical committees of the Synod. Your committee was active during the year in various ways, more particularly in convention work. We rejoice to report that the general condition of the Sunday-school cause within the bounds of the Synod would indicate continued interest in this department of the work of the Church, not without substantial results either, since the statistics show a gain of 73 schools and nearly 10,000 more teachers, officers and pupils enrolled. Convention work has been prosecuted with marked success; the Home and other departmental work advanced and a greater interest and zeal clearly manifested. The great work of General Synod's Sunday-school Board is being more appreciated in various ways. And yet there is work to be done. Not all our schools use our Reformed literature, nor are all of them open during the entire year. The union school remains a problem yet to be solved in order to draw out its best possibilities, the training of teachers requires more attention, the territory of the Synod as a field for Sunday-school mission work is not covered. These and other important matters challenge your committee for work in the future.

You committee has arranged for an evening meeting in the interest of this work for this meeting of Synod and respectfully prays that the offerings of the evening be given your committee with which to prosecute its work.

We also recommend such action by Synod that will call for renewed interest by the Classes in the work, possibly emphasizing accurate statistics, the continuance of Classical committees and convention work.

In conclusion we will say that we fully appreciate the blessing of God upon this part of the kingdom and with renewed faith will enter upon another year's work.

This committee holds itself ready to co-operate with any Classical committee in furthering the interests of the children's kingdom. We beg to call the attention of Synod to the fact that the term of Elder F. G. Hobson expires with this session of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. HACKER, *Chairman*,
S. P. HEILMAN, *Secretary*.

Report of Standing Committee on Sunday Schools.

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Sunday-schools begs leave to submit the following report:

There were placed in our hands the following communications: The report of the General Synod's Sunday-school Board, the report of Synod's permanent Committee on Sunday-schools, and the Sunday-school Statistics of the several Classes.

From these reports we learn that the work of our Sunday-schools has been very prosperous. The Sunday-school Board has done excellent work. The net earnings have been \$4,012.99. The circulation of periodicals the last year has been 285,992. The Hymnal is having a large circulation, and a Primary Hymnal will be issued this fall.

The Permanent Committee is justifying its existence by its faithful work and we believe it will be of still greater benefit to our Synod in the future.

Reiterating the action of former Synods we, first, recommend that the Classes instruct their standing committees on Sunday-schools to tabulate the Sunday-school statistics of the Classes and give the same to the Stated Clerk.

Second, That Synod request the several Classes to instruct the Standing Committees on Sunday-schools to secure statistics from vacant and delinquent charges, and to furnish the same to the Stated Clerk.

Third, That Classes instruct their Stated Clerks to forward the completed report promptly to the General Secretary of the Sunday-school Board.

Fourth, That the Sunday-school Board be requested to tabulate the Sunday-school statistics of the Synod and give the same to the chairman of the Permanent Sunday-school Committee at least thirty days before the meeting of Synod.

Fifth, That Synod calls the attention of the several Classes to the recommendations of the Sunday-school Board in the matter of graded schools and teacher training.

We present herewith the tabulated statistics of the Synod, also the report of the Secretary of the General Board, as a part of our report that they may be incorporated in the minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY H. SANGREE,
C. D. KRESSLEY.

TABULATED STATEMENT OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS OF EASTERN SYNOD FOR 1901.

	Number of Sunday-schools	Teachers	Scholars	Total	Average Attendance	If Union School, estimated returned enrollment.	Scholars in full membership of the Church.	Baptized Scholars	Scholars received during year into full membership	Number of Schools using Catechism.	Number using Reformed Lesson Helps.	Number of copies of Sunday-school Papers taken per year.	Number of Books in Library.	To Sunday-school Work of General Board.	To other Church Boards and Institutions.	To other Benevolent Objects.	To Support of the Schools.
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	73	1385	10517	11902	6467		3533	2164	279	17	47	936	7266	361	3237	2574	26311
Cochenhoppen Classis.....	30	792	4835	5477	3652	470	1341	2229	171	17		645	6253	162	610	594	2940
Lancaster Classis.....	50	1061	6911	7972	3908	622	1478	2154	241	21	40	2102	6977	114	777	638	3302
Lebanon Classis.....	58	1312	8015	9327	..	9221	2176	6071	253	38	41	2279	12430	..	631	4224	1985
Lehigh Classis.....	65	1303	12166	13468	5634	1842	1717	4164	..	32	50	1626	12394	89	771	1089	5833
Philadelphia Classis.....	37	879	8051	8930	..	..	1302	1210	353	..	..	2035	10096	119	1515	645	8297
Reading Classis.....	29	1082	9229	10361	6080	..	1857	2356	283	..	..	515	3124	23	2174	631	7392
Schuylkill Classis.....	29	605	4848	5451	339	322	1657	2457	280	..	..	925	3249	..	137	2482	1136
West Susquehanna Classis.....	51	791	5071	5862	4077	..	1691	..	256	..	..	..	..	..	349	614	2285
Tobacco Classis.....	51	724	5824	6563	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1944
Wyoming Classis.....	49	827	5453	6310	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
East Susquehanna Classis.....	51	463	6325	6978	..	..	..	..	236	..	..	..	..	..	619	225	2746
Total.....	573	11876	86433	97607	28173	15479	13793	24858	2400	601	192	13231	69546	3724	86	57600	811506
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The foregoing report was received and considered item by item and finally adopted as a whole.

F. G. Hobson, Esq., was elected a member of Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools.

ARTICLE XIX.

PUBLICATION.

In Item 8 in Report on Minutes of Synod certain instructions were given concerning the publishing of the Minutes of the last sessions in response to which the following report was presented:

Printing Minutes of Synod.

The undersigned begs leave to report that 3,800 copies of the Acts and Proceedings of the 154th Annual Sessions of Synod were printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distributed among those entitled to receive them according to the rules and regulations of Synod in the case.

The work was given to the Reformed Church Publication Board, executed at a cost of \$265.95, and distributed in the latter part of December.

Annual Report of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Eastern, the Pittsburgh and the Potomac Synods:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Board of Publication begs leave to submit to your reverend bodies its annual report as follows:

The Board held two regular meetings during the year, one in the month of March, the other on the fourth day of September. At the latter meeting reports were received from Francis E. Heller, the business manager, and from James T. Reber, the treasurer of the Board. Both these reports were audited by a committee appointed by the president and certified to as being correct. Our separation from business association with the Sunday-school Board involved our Board in some extra expense but it brought us also some advantages. While we cannot report any great success, yet we are able to say that the past was a prosperous year for our publication interests.

The following is a summary of the manager's report which was closed July 1, 1901:

July 1, 1901.	Total resources	\$18,783 98	
" "	Total liabilities, (subscriptions paid in advance)	3,411 32	
" "	Net capital	\$15,372 66	
LOSSES AND GAINS, JULY 1, 1900, TO JULY 1, 1901.			
Book Department		\$2,033 14	
Messenger		137 68	
Review		10 47	
Furniture and fixtures	\$ 8 77		
Net gain	2,172 52		
		\$2,181 29	\$2,181 29

It will be seen from the above that our periodicals are paying for themselves with a slight margin in their favor and that our greatest gains come from the book department. Since the report of the manager was closed about one thousand new subscribers were added to the Messenger list, and a considerable amount of book business secured through the efforts of a number of students, who were employed by the manager to labor several months during the summer in the interest of the concern. Hence we hope to make a somewhat better showing next year. We kindly request ministers and people to give their loyal support to the Messenger and Review, and urge them to patronize the book-store. All kinds of books and church supplies of every character can be furnished by our House as cheaply as by anyone else. The manager expects to be present at the meetings of the Synods with sample copies of the various publications handled by him, and the members of these several bodies are requested to examine his goods.

The following is a summary of the Treasurer's report:

RECEIPTS SINCE LAST REPORT.

Cash in hand August 23, 1900.....	\$ 227 09
Received of Sunday-school Board.....	1,000 00
Interest received on investments.....	363 78
Proceeds of bonds sold.....	2,000 00

DISBURSEMENTS.

Expenses of the Board.....	\$ 65 93
Loaned to Francis E. Heller for the Board.....	3,500 00
Balance in Treasury	24 94
	\$3,590 87
	\$3,590 87

INVESTMENTS.

In Reading and Columbia bonds.....	\$3,000 00
In Home Mission bonds.....	2,000 00
Loaned to the Board.....	3,500 00
Total.....	\$8,500 00

Your publication plant promises now to increase in value from year to year, and if it receive the continued cordial support of the Synods, your Board will be able to render the Church more efficient and satisfactory service in the future than it could do in the past. In conclusion we would say that the Board proposes to make such improvements in every department of its business as the general condition of the plant may seem to warrant. The term of office of J. H. Stein, of Reading, and of A. E. Truxal, of Meyersdale, expires December 31, 1901. It will be incumbent upon the Synods to which these members belong to fill the vacancies thus occasioned.

Respectfully submitted,

W. RUSH GILLAN,

President.

Attest:

A. E. TRUXAL, *Secretary*.

Report of the Standing Committee on Publication.

The report on Publication was presented during the session on Monday afternoon, acted on item by item, and finally adopted. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The only paper placed in the hands of your committee for consideration was that of the Board of Publication, representing our Philadelphia Publication House, said report including the annual financial balance sheets of the Manager, Mr. Francis E. Heller, and the report of the Treasurer, Mr. James T. Reber. The Board in this annual statement calls your attention to several facts, viz:

1. That the separation from business association with the Sunday-school Board was attended with some additional expense but also with compensating advantages; and that the business was conducted during the fiscal year, ending July 1, 1901, with encouraging success and financial gain.

2. That the publications of the Board enjoy sufficient patronage in the Church to enjoy a slight margin of profit—the Messenger having yielded \$137; the Review, \$10 (instead of a deficit of \$13 as reported last year); and the Book Department the handsome gain of \$2,033. And,

3. That comparing the investments of the Publication

Concern of this year with those of the year preceding, we find that they have increased by the sum of \$1,500.

We therefore submit the following resolutions as the action of Synod:

Resolved, 1, That we have heard with pleasure of the continued prosperity of the Board's management of our Publication interests, of the steady gain of subscribers of the Review, of the large increase of 1,000 new subscribers for the Messenger, and the commendable showing made in the business of the Book Department. That we, therefore, express our appreciation of and thanks to the Board, and its Manager, for the business tact with which its affairs have been conducted, resulting in an annual increase of its financial value and service to the Church.

2. That we commend to our clergy to regard as a personal and sacred obligation the support of our Reformed Church Review, and to urge it upon the attention of the educated membership of the church:—a duty which we owe ourselves as well as the most scholarly periodical published in our Church, so ably conducted by its editor, the Rev. Dr. William Rupp; and that we have marked with satisfaction the continued high standard and popular serviceability of the Messenger as edited by the Rev. C. J. Musser.

3. That we request the Classes to urge upon the pastors and congregations the hearty support and patronage of the Messenger and the Book Department of the Publication House; since pastors, consistories and the auxiliary societies can purchase their supplies with the greatest economy and mutual advantage from this source; and that we again urge the most loyal maintenance of the Messenger, since our aim should be the Church paper read in every home, so that its weekly feast of good things may be everywhere enjoyed for edification, and the appeals of our Church Boards may find intelligent response in the good work of our membership.

Respectfully submitted,

G. A. SCHWEDES,

K. OTIS SPESSARD,

J. RADER,

WILSON S. HARTZEL,

E. H. BURKHOLDER.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to have 4,000 copies of

the Acts and Proceedings of the present sessions of Synod duly authenticated, printed and bound in pamphlet form and distributed among those entitled to receive them.

John W. Bickel, Esq., of Norristown, Pa., was duly elected as a member of the Board of Publication.

ARTICLE XX.

Orphan Home and Other Benevolent Institutions.

The report of Bethany Orphan Home was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Orphan Home. It is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: We take pleasure in presenting to your Reverend body the thirty-eighth annual report of Bethany Orphans Home, for the year ending July 11th, 1901, as published in the Reformed Church Messenger of August 22d, pages 10 and following, a copy of which accompanies this communication.

In addition to the facts therein contained we beg to add some further information concerning the work to this date.

In the first place we acknowledge the great love and providential care of the Father of the fatherless in watching over and providing for this large family and return heartfelt thanks to the large and ever increasing number of friends who so cheerfully support this work by their sympathy, their prayers and their liberal gifts. From little children and aged saints, from the homes of the poor and the palaces of the rich, contributions have come into the treasury so that we were able, with economy, to provide comfortably for our family and to make some improvements to the property.

We are sorry to report that three children died during the past year, two from pneumonia following an epidemic of measles and one from diphtheria. As for the rest, the general health of the family has been good.

Our life and work continue about as in former years. The children are taught to work, they go to school and are religiously trained. Last year 19 of our boys and girls became full members of the Church by the rite of confirmation. This fall two of our girls entered the Senior classes of two different

State Normal schools directly from our school. Others have gone out and have entered such walks of life as they seemed fitted for.

It is becoming more and more the rule that as soon as mothers or relatives can provide for the children whom they have in the Home the children are dismissed to them. So that now we do not have as many large boys and girls in proportion to the little ones as we formerly had. We think this is a move in the right direction. But this necessitates an increased number of employees.

The number of children in the Home at present is 123, with 5 more admitted whom we expect to enter shortly. A few will leave before Christmas, so that our number this winter will be about the same as last year.

The thirty-eighth anniversary, held on August 22d, was a pleasant and successful occasion. About thirteen thousand people were present. These large gatherings are an inspiration to us in our work and a great joy and blessing to many of our Reformed people.

We are at present engaged in erecting a new building which shall be used for school purposes only. This will give us more room in the Main Building to divide our boys into groups, in charge of matrons, and in this way will be able to approach still more nearly the true family life. This building will probably be paid for by several undesignated legacies and it is proposed to place a permanent tablet into the building on which will be inscribed the names of those whose money was used in the erection of the building.

For a detailed statement of the finances and other matters pertaining to the Home we respectfully refer you to the printed Annual Report herewith submitted.

Trusting that the Christmas contributions for the support of this work may be as liberal as last year, we are, in behalf of the orphans,

Yours very truly,

B. BAUSMAN, *President*,

THOS M. YUNDT, *Secretary*.

Report of Standing Committee on Bethany Orphan Home.

The report of the Standing Committee on Bethany Or-

phan Home was presented at Saturday's session and adopted. It is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN. Your Standing Committee on Bethany Orphan Home offers the following report for your consideration:

Two papers came into the hands of your committee,

1. A communication from the Board of Managers.
2. A copy of the "Reformed Church Messenger," bearing date of August 22, 1901, and containing the annual report of the Board of Managers and of the Board's Treasurer, as well as many other important facts concerning the Home and its management.

From the communication of the Board we learn these main items of interest: It is the 38th annual report for the year ending July 11, 1901 three children of the Home died during the year; however, the general health of the family has been good; the children receive industrial, intellectual and religious training; there are 123 children in the Home at present, five more to enter in the near future; about 13,000 people were present on the anniversary occasion on August 22, 1901; a new school building is in course of erection; the Board asks from our people an offering equal to that of last Christmas.

From the Treasurer's report we learn the following facts: That the total receipts for the year, July 5, 1900 to July 11, 1901, were \$13,866.33, which is an increase over the receipts of last year of more than one thousand dollars; the total disbursements of the Board for the year amounted to \$13,287.58, including last year's deficit of \$332.11. These items show the very encouraging fact that instead of a deficit as last year, the Board reports a balance in the treasury on July 11, 1901, of \$578.75.

The legacies received by the Board for the Home during the year amounted to \$4,504.37.

In view of these interesting facts, your committee recommends the following for your adoption:

1. *Resolved*, That we sincerely rejoice in the favorable condition of Bethany Orphan Home, in its efficient superintendent, its wise management, its moral status, and in the con-

tinued sympathetic and substantial interest in the Home as manifested on the part of our people.

2. *Resolved*, That we anew commend the sacred interests of Bethany Orphan Home to the prayers and increased liberality of our people and hereby respectfully request them to contribute the offerings of the Christmas season to this worthy cause of our Heavenly Father.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. E. LIMBERT, *Chairman*.

A. H. HIBSHMAN,

MORGAN A. PETERS.

Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

The Annual Reports of this Society, referred to in Report on Overtures, were read and referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. Dr. S. R. Bridenbaugh, E. F. Wiest, W. S. Hartzel, and Elders A. Oswald and W. F. From, for further consideration.

The Reports are as follows:

To the Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: As the Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States, we present for information the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same within your bounds from September 30, 1900, to October 4, 1901:

RECEIPTS.	
Schuylkill Classis	\$195 00
Reading Classis	90 00
Lancaster Classis	89 89
Philadelphia Classis	77 76
Goshenhoppen Classis	65 00
Lebanon Classis	65 00
Tohickon Classis	65 00
West Susquehanna Classis	44 58
Wyoming Classis	41 33
East Susquehanna Classis	38 04
East Pennsylvania Classis	30 43
Total.....	\$802 33

EXPENDITURES.	
Paid to 19 annuitants.....	\$985 00

With the prayer that the Holy Spirit may guide you in your deliberations, I am yours fraternally,

SIMON S. MILLER, *Treasurer*.

Frederick, Md., Oct. 4, 1901.

The officers of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States present for publication in the minutes of your reverend body the following statement of the financial operations of the same for the year closing with October 4, 1901:

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury Sept. 30th, 1900.....	\$ 2,864 33
Cash from loans paid	9,600 00
Cash from interest on investments	2,284 34
Cash from collections in the churches	1,989 18
Cash from royalty on Church Hymnal	1,738 39
Cash from individual gifts	767 65
Cash from Pittsburgh Synod (special)	300 00
Cash from miscellaneous sources	500 19
Cash from estate of Elizabeth Banghman	242 50
Cash from royalty on Sunday-school Hymnal..	135 00
Total	<u>\$20,421 58</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for new investment	\$ 9,960 00
Paid to fifty annuitants.....	2,955 00
Paid to Daniel Stine Memorial Home.....	484 09
Paid for expenses, treasurer's salary, traveling expenses, printing, postage, revenue stamps and stationery	816 49
Cash in treasury Oct. 4th, 1901.....	6,206 00
Total	<u>\$20,421 58</u>

ASSETS.

Invested fund	\$46,895 00
Cash in treasury	6,206 00
	<u>\$53,101 00</u>

Report of Special Committee on Society of Relief.

Two papers were referred to your committee, viz: A statement from the Treasurer of the Society, showing the receipts from the Classes of this Synod to have been during the year \$802.33, and the expenditures to nineteen annuitants within our bounds to have been \$950.00.

Also a statement from the officers of the society, giving the total receipts from all sources for the year, and the expenditures for the same period. This document is intended for publication in our minutes.

After a careful examination of these papers we offer for your adoption the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, We rejoice in the present prosperous condition of this society as evidenced by the receipts of the past year.

2. *Resolved*, In view of the increasing number of ministers and widows needing the aid of this society, we urgently request the Classes to take such action as will result in an increase of funds for this most worthy cause. This report was adopted.

S. R. BRIDENBAUGH, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE XXI.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Report on Office of Statistical Secretary.

In the third item in Report of Minutes of Classes under the head of Requests, an overture was made to Synod to create the office of Statistical Secretary, which item was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. A. A. Black, J. R. Bergey and Elder E. R. Burkholder, who presented the following report which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the overture of Lancaster Classis, with reference to a Statistical Secretary, offers the following report:

That in as much as this is the only Classis in the Synod that makes such an overture and thus held does not seem to be a general demand for it, we therefore recommend the following action, viz.: That Synod does not see its way clear at this time to create the office of Statistical Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. BLACK, *Chairman*.

Action Concerning Free Entertainment.

In considering the Report on Minutes of Classes, item 5, under the head of Requests, and several items in the Report on Minutes of Classes were referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. John G. Noss, Drs. John H. Sechler, C. S. Gerhard and Elders Henry Bobb and F. G. Hobson, who presented the following report, which was adopted. The report is as follows:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN.—Your committee to whom were referred the overture of the Classis of Wyoming and certain items of the report of the Committee on the Minutes of the Classes, would recommend the following for your consideration:

WHEREAS, Though the letter of the Constitution (see Art. 55) makes specifically obligatory the free entertainment of min-

isters and elders, by the pastor loci only in the case of the meeting of the Classis, yet the spirit thereof, as interpreted by the uniform custom of many years, would seem to lay the same obligation in the case of the meetings of the higher judicatories of the Church upon the congregation or congregations within whose bounds they meet, and

WHEREAS, This Synod, though recognizing the changed conditions of the present as compared with the past, deems it unwise to take any action by which the grace of hospitality, so highly commended and enjoined in Holy Scripture, might even seem to be hindered from manifesting itself in the hearts and homes of the members of the Reformed Church, therefore

Resolved, That, in the future, "the plan of self-entertainment," as adopted by the Synod at Sunbury one year ago, shall be observed in case no invitation, accompanied by the offer of free entertainment be submitted.

Resolved, That all actions of the Synod, hitherto taken, which are inconsistent with that contained in the foregoing resolution, be, and are hereby declared void.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. NOSS, *Chairman*.

ARTICLE XXII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Standing Committee on Nominations to whom were referred the various vacancies occurring in the several boards, presented its report on Saturday morning, which was adopted.

The Report on Nominations.

Your committee respectfully reports the following nominations:

TRUSTEES OF SYNOD.

S. M. Gingrich.

Wellington Leinbach.

One to be elected.

I. One vacancy occurs in the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, by the resignation of George Z. Kunkel, whose term would expire in December, 1902, for which we nominate:

John Hertzler.

E. H. Burkholder.

One to be elected.

II. Two vacancies in the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary, by the death of Rev. Thos. C. Porter, D.D., whose term would expire in 1902, and of Rev. Jonathan E. Hiester, D.D., whose term would expire in 1904:

For the former term ending December, 1902, we nominate:

Rev. B. B. Ferer, D.D.

Rev. A. B. Koplin, D.D. One to be elected.

For the latter, ending December, 1904, we nominate:

Rev. James Crawford, D.D.

Rev. John Philip Stein, D.D. One to be elected.

III. Superintendent of Missions.

For Superintendent of Missions we nominate the present superintendent, Rev. A. C. Whitmer.

IV. The term of office of the members of the Board of Missions from this Synod expires with this year. For this Board we nominate the following:

Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D.

C. M. Bower, Esq.

John J. Nissley.

Rev. Thomas Leinbach.

Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D.

Rev. C. B. Schneder.

Rev. T. J. Hacker, D.D.

Henry Robb, M.D.

Rev. T. O. Stem.

Rev. A. A. Black.

Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D. Rev. J. G. Rupp.

Seven to be elected.

V. One vacancy occurs in the Board of Publication, for which we nominate the following:

Jacob H. Stein.

John W. Bickel, Esq.

One to be elected.

VI. One vacancy occurs on the Permanent Sunday-school Committee, for which we nominate:

F. G. Hobson, Esq.

Jacob S. Sechler.

One to be elected.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. WIEAND, *Chairman.*

The committee was instructed to have the ticket printed and the election of a member on the Board of Trustees of Synod was made the order of the day at 11 a. m., and the remainder of the ticket on Monday at 2 p. m. At the hours designated the elections were held. The President appointed Revs. Chas. B.

Alspach and K. O. Spessard, tellers. The roll was called and the ballot taken which resulted in the election of W. M. Leinbach. The election of members on the remainder of the ticket took place on Monday at 2 p. m. The President appointed Revs. G. E. Limbert, Geo. P. Stem, and Elder Jacob Rader as tellers. The roll was called and the ballot was taken, which resulted in the election of the following members on the various Boards in the Church.

For Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary, John Hertzler, Lancaster, Pa.

For Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary, Rev. B. B. Ferer, D.D., Riegelsville, Pa., for term ending December, 1902, and Rev. James Crawford, D.D., Philadelphia, for term ending December, 1904.

John W. Bickel, Esq., Norristown, Pa., as member of Board of Publication.

F. G. Hobson, Esq., Collegeville, Pa., as a member of the Sunday-school Committee, and Revs. Drs. E. N. Kremer, C. S. Gerhard, Thos. J. Hacker, S. R. Bridenbaugh, C. B. Schneder and Elders John J. Nissley and C. M. Bowers, Esq., as members of the Board of Home Missions.

Rev. A. C. Whitmer, Lancaster, Pa., was chosen as the nominee for Superintendent of Missions.

Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary.

Messrs. Jacob Y. Dietz, John D. Skiles, Jacob H. Stein, term expires December 31, 1906.

Messrs. John J. Nissley, John B. Roth, John W. Appel, Esq., term expires December 31, 1904.

Messrs. Geo. B. Heilman, Jeremiah S. Hess, John Hertzler, term expires December 31, 1902.

Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary.

Revs. E. N. Kremer, D.D., Henry M. Kieffer, D.D., James Crawford, D.D., term expires December 31, 1904.

Revs. Samuel G. Wagner, D.D., N. C. Schaeffer, B. B. Ferer, D.D., term expires December 31, 1902

Reformed Church Publication Board.

Mr. John W. Bickel, Norristown, Pa., term expires December 31, 1904; Mr. H. M. Housekeeper, Philadelphia, Pa.,

term expires December 31, 1903; Mr. James F. Reber, Reading, Pa., term expires December 31, 1902.

Permanent Sunday School Committee.

Mr. F. G. Hobson, Esq., Collegeville, Pa., term expires October 1, 1906; Rev. George W. Gerhard, Hamburg, Pa., term expires October 1, 1905; Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, D.D., Allentown, Pa., term expires October 1, 1904; Dr. S. P. Heilman, Heilmandale, Pa., term expires October 1, 1903; Mr. C. C. Leader, Shamokin, Pa., term expires October 1, 1902.

The Historic Exhibit in Connection With Synod.

The ninth item in Report on Overtures was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. M. H. Sangree, J. W. Meminger and Elder Dr. F. W. Vandersloot. The report was presented on Monday during the morning session, acted on item by item and finally adopted. The report reads as follows, to wit:

WHEREAS, The committee originally appointed by the Presbyterian Historical Society of Philadelphia, which included all the branches of the Reformed Church, has prepared a most valuable exhibit of the history, progress and present condition of their Church, and

WHEREAS, This movement has made it possible for the Eastern Synod to have the pleasure and profit of viewing this large exhibit, setting forth the history of our Reformed Church, therefore

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod hereby expresses its thanks to the Presbyterian Historical Society for having begun this work and hope that the ties binding us in Christian fellowship may be greatly strengthened by co-operation in this field of research.

2. *Resolved*, That we express our high appreciation of the work done in the selection and arrangement of the exhibit in this Church. We bear testimony to the long and earnest labor, large correspondence and untiring care of those who have been in charge.

3. *Resolved*, That special thanks be given to the Rev. James Crawford, D.D., Rev. Prof. Wm. J. Hinke, Mrs. Henry Dottera, Rev. J. D. Detrich and others who labored with them in preparing the exhibit.

4. *Resolved*, That a plain, neat and inexpensive catalogue be prepared and that the Synod make an appropriation to cover the expense of printing said catalogue, said sum not to exceed \$50, to be paid out of Contingent Fund.

5. *Resolved*, That Rev. James Crawford, D.D., Rev. Prof. Wm. J. Hinke and the Rev. Prof. J. H. Dubbs, D.D., be, and hereby are appointed the committee to perform this work.

6. *Resolved*, That this committee endeavor to secure a place where any part of this exhibit left in their hands may be preserved for exhibition at future Synods, and special occasions in the Church.

7. *Resolved*, That in the judgment of your committee the minutes of the Coetus should be published.

M. H. SANGREE, *Chairman*.

Report on Publishing Minutes of the Coetus.

The seventh item in the Report on the Historical Exhibit was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. Chas. B. Schneder, Dr. Jno. H. Sechler and Elder F. W. Vandersloot, who presented the following report, which was adopted:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Special Committee on proposed publication of the minutes of Coetus respectfully recommends:

First, That the Synod appoint the committee already constituted on the cataloguing of the exhibit, a committee on the publication of the minutes of the Coetus.

Second, That this committee be instructed to publish the minutes of Coetus in the most suitable form at the least possible cost.

Third, That the committee be instructed to solicit advance subscriptions, that the names of advance subscribers be included in the printed book and that a part of the edition be styled "The Contributor's" edition.

Fourth, That if sufficient money to pay for the cost of publication is not derived from the sale of the printed copies, this Synod shall make good the deficiency.

Fifth, That all money realized from the sale of the printed copies over and above the cost of publication, shall be paid into the contingent fund of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SCHNEDER, *Chairman*.

An Historic Relic Presented to Synod.

After the organization of Synod on Wednesday evening was duly completed, Prof. Jos. H. Dubbs, D.D., Lancaster, Pa., briefly engaged the attention of Synod in a well-chosen historical address, and the deliverance of a gavel, presented by Lynn Harbaugh, Esq., bearing on a silver plate the following inscription: "Gavel made from white oak tree that shaded 'Das Alt Schulhaus,' with handle of pine from porch railing at the old Harbaugh homestead." The President, in behalf of Synod, accepted the gavel with thanks, and it is henceforth to be put to use in preserving order during the sessions of Synod.

Presentation of a Book Entitled "Eternal Life," Etc.

In the Report on Overtures, item 7, reference is made to a book of 125 pages written by Rev. Rufus C. Zartman, of Philadelphia, Pa., bearing the title "Eternal Life," which is presented to Synod with compliments of the author. The book was received with thanks and ordered to be placed in the archives. In item 11 two copies of the Decennial Catalogue of Ursinus College were presented, which were ordered to be placed in the hands of the Stated Clerk for preservation.

Addresses Delivered at Synod.

The courtesy of Synod was shown to Rev. J. W. Knappenberger, President of Allentown College for Women, who addressed the members of the body in behalf of the interests of that institution. Also to Mr. C. H. Mebane, President of Catawba College, N. C., and Prof. J. H. Apple, President of Frederick College for Women, who spoke in behalf of their respective institutions.

Rev. Cyrus J. Musser presented the claims of the Reformed Church Messenger and earnestly solicited the patronage of the Church for the Reformed Church Publication Board. Rev. John W. Schick, D.D., plead in behalf of the erection of a new church in Washington, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer, Superintendent of Missions, and Rev. H. F. Dittmar in regard to the necessity of rapidly extending our field of Mission work.

Special pleas were made to Synod in behalf of various local Missions by pastors having charge of the field. Rev. J. Rauch Stein for St. John's church, Harrisburg, Pa.; Revs. P. E. Zart-

man for Bethel Mission; Chas. B. Alspach for Messiah; H. E. Jones for Palatinate Missions; E. W. Middleton of Tioga, and John O. Reagle on the interest of Tioga Mission.

Representative from South Africa.

As an order of the day the President of Synod introduced Commandants A. J. Liebenberg and Hercules D. Viljoen, Former Field Cornet of the Boer Army, who addressed Synod in regard to the dire distress of the Boer women and children in concentrado camps in South Africa.

The President appointed Rev. M. H. Sangree to formulate an expression in regard to the sentiment of Synod in regard to the sad condition of the people in South Africa.

Resolution of Sympathy With the Boers.

The following preamble and resolution was subsequently offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, This Synod has heard, with great sorrow, from the lips of two men, Commandants Hercules D. Viljoen and A. J. Liebenberg, citizens of the South African Republics, in every sense representatives of that brave people, who speak from personal knowledge of the great amount of suffering among the women and children of the Boers, now gathered, by the action of the Government of Great Britain, into reconcentrado camps, therefore, be it

Resolved, That we hereby express our deepest sympathy with the citizens of the South African Republic, the Transvaal and the Orange Free State, and unite in the hope that, in the further prosecution of the war by Great Britain, the women and children of these Republics may be treated with kindness and consideration, which the rules of war among civilized and Christian nations provide for as the proper treatment toward this class of citizens.

Visiting Brethren in Attendance at Synod.

The President of Synod appointed at the opening of the sessions a committee consisting of Revs. Prof. J. W. Knappenberger, G. W. Kerschner and Dr. D. Rhine Hertz, who noted the names of the ministers whose presence was announced and reported the same from time to time at the close of each day's session.

A Statement Made Concerning the Illness of Dr. John M. Titzel.

Information was received by Synod that Rev. John M. Titzel, D.D., pastor of the First Church, Lancaster, Pa., was dangerously ill.

The Stated Clerk was instructed to convey the cordial sympathy of Synod to the afflicted brother and the members of his family.

The Loss of an Overcoat and a Purse of Money.

The statement was made on the floor of Synod that Rev. Geo. W. Kershner of Centre Hill, Pa., a member of Synod, was robbed at his boarding house of an overcoat and \$36 in money. The President appointed Rev. J. W. Meminger to receive contributions to reimburse him for the loss sustained, who subsequently reported that the sum of twenty-three dollars was received from the members of Synod and paid to the unfortunate brother as part compensation for money lost while attending Synod.

Leave of Absence.

On the fourth day of the sessions the President appointed Revs. S. R. Laury, C. D. Kressley and Elder E. R. Burkholder on excuses for leave of absence, who at the close of the sessions reported the names of delegates who for sufficient reasons were obliged to leave before the close of the sessions. These were excused, and the report was adopted.

Time and Place for Synod's Next Annual Meeting.

On Monday at the evening session Synod entered upon the selection of a place to hold its next annual sessions. Invitations were received from Zion Reformed church, Wilkesbarre, Pa., St. Mark's Reformed church, Lebanon, Pa., and the First Reformed church, Easton, Pa. The roll was called and the vote taken, which resulted in the choice of Zion Reformed church, Wilkesbarre, Pa., and the day chosen for Synod to convene is Wednesday, October 22, A.D., 1902, at 8 p. m.

Reporters to the Press.

The President appointed at the opening of the sessions a committee of five to serve as reporters, namely, Revs. P. E. Zartman, J. P. Bachman, H. H. Sangree, J. L. Messinger and J. R. Bergey, who reported that the duty was partially attended to.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were offered and unanimously adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod most heartily thank the ladies, pastor and people of Heidelberg congregation for the delightful entertainment afforded the members of Synod while holding its sessions in their midst, and that the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to pay to the pastor the sum of twenty-five dollars for the use of the church and incidental expenses.

2. *Resolved*, That the thanks of Synod be tendered to Rev. Chas. H. Coon, D.D., under whose direction and training the service of a large male choir was enlisted at the evening service during the sessions of Synod, adding greatly by the spiritual songs rendered to the interest and inspiration of the occasion.

3. *Resolved* That Synod returns through its Stated Clerk its cordial thanks to the General Passenger Agents of the Pennsylvania Railroad, Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, Lehigh Valley Railroad and the Central Railroad of New Jersey in granting card-orders for excursion rates to all delegates attending sessions of Synod.

The business of the Synod being completed the roll was called and all the members answered to their names, save those excused. The minutes of Monday morning and evening sessions were read and approved.

ARTICLE XXIV.**ADJOURNMENT.**

The following action was adopted before adjournment, namely:

Resolved, That when Synod adjourns finally, it be to meet in Zion's Reformed church, Wilkesbarre, Pa., on Wednesday, October 22, A.D., 1902, at 8 p. m.

Synod adjourned finally on Monday at 11 p. m., October 21, 1901, with repetition of Apostles' Creed, uniting in Lord's Prayer, singing the Doxology, and the Apostolic Benediction by the President.

JOHN S. STAHR, *President*.

JOHN P. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Official copy from original minutes.

JOHN P. STEIN.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.		CHARGES.		MEMBERS. ADDITIONS. LOSSES.										S. S. STA- TISTICS		CONTRIBUT- THINGS.				TWO OFFICE ADMINISTR.				
				Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif or Re-Pro.	Dismissed.	Recommended.	Transfer of Names.	Deaths, Unconf'd.	Sunday-Schools.	Officers and Teach.	Scholars.	Minutes for Ministry.	Revenue Per- Psons.	(Congregational Purpose.	Minutes Wanted.	Church Papers Taken.		
C. J. Becker.....	Howertown	480	290	190	27	12	17	10	2	4	4	10	3	12	121	..	4467 00	\$1205 00	6	..	..	..	..
D. F. Brendle, D D	Farmersville	450	450	190	21	17	17	11	4	25	190	..	216 00	1172 00	10
W. D. C. Rodrock	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. E. Smith, D.D.	Moore Township	796	480	650	44	20	20	10	20	..	..	6	4	56	418	..	258 00	1400 00	12	..	..	..	..
F. W. Smith.....	Pleasant Valley	625	513	322	21	12	12	3	12	..	..	2	9	75	495	..	227 00	1288 00	24	..	..	..	..
H. M. Kieffer, D.D.	First Church Easton	548	416	160	14	13	10	10	3	..	..	1	3	66	246	..	966 00	3552 00	14	..	..	..	..
Wilson F. Mow	Salem Calamauqua	344	291	198	22	19	10	4	..	..	..	2	5	33	275	..	371 00	1318 00	10	..	..	..	..
B. F. Mauger	Mt Bethel	398	362	150	17	13	4	7	..	..	..	3	3	40	220	..	240 00	1140 00	20	..	..	..	..
G. A. Schwedes	Christ Bethlehem	580	425	290	18	14	21	12	..	..	..	5	1	53	450	..	380 00	4680 00	16	..	..	..	..
S. P. Laury.....	Brookheadville	667	430	614	43	53	4	6	..	..	..	10	3	69	415	..	219 00	1024 00	3	..	..	..	..
B. C. Weaver.	Forka	1	416	365	273	19	..	..	..	..	..	6	2	25	200	..	146 00	786 00	10	..	..	..	..
W. H. Wehring, B.D.	Dryland	3	975	716	612	61	20	40	..	..	..	3	3	36	460	..	710 00	2001 00	12	..	..	..	..
O. J. Lieberget.....	Plainfield	3	350	250	120	12	40	2	..	..	..	3	1	32	250	..	135 00	1400 00	8	..	..	..	..
John F. DeLong, D.D.	Freemansburg	1	165	130	83	11	10	9	..	..	..	4	3	2	250	..	425 00	1218 00	15	..	..	..	..
Irwin M. Bachman	East Mauch Church	1	240	155	140	14	17	10	14	..	..	9	1	20	148	..	107 00	1416 00	10	..	..	..	..
E. L. Kemp.....	Prof N S. Stroudsburg	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Thos. H. Krick	Wesport	1	277	178	190	28	12	20	5	..	..	8	7	1	184	..	194 00	1060 00	7	..	..	..	..
J. O. Rupp.....	Steinton	1	360	267	120	35	16	25	7	..	..	20	2	1	231	..	278 00	3281 33	7	..	..	..	..
F. H. Moyer.....	Stegfried	1	216	170	190	18	12	24	16	..	..	10	6	1	544	..	200 00	604 00	7	..	..	..	..
B. C. Hiebsman	Stroudsburg	1	180	141	9	3	11	4	..	..	..	2	2	1	185	..	100 00	2240 00	4	..	..	..	..
W. H. Brong.....	Tannersville	4	472	280	200	30	14	11	1	..	..	3	11	7	62	560	82 39	691 44	12	..	..	..	..
W. M. Helrich.	Christ, Bath	1	260	140	170	7	25	9	3	..	..	2	1	1	204	..	220 00	1304 00	7	..	..	..	..
Thos. A. Hubel.	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. O. Bartholomaw	Grace, Easton	1	180	106	124	11	6	12	6	1	1	21	179	..	148 00	1126 00	7
W. H. Erb	St. Paul's, Bethlehem	1	210	173	125	19	15	26	..	..	..	8	3	1	168	..	27 00	1180 00	9	..	..	..	..
Geo. W. Remagen.....	Bangor	1	220	152	100	4	17	11	7	..	..	10	3	1	260	..	40 00	1289 19	12	..	..	..	..
H. H. Sangree	St Mark's, Easton	1	326	276	170	22	1	20	3	..	..	11	4	2	80	297	440 00	4241 06	13	..	..	..	..
W. H. Millhouse.....	Towamensing	3	480	220	225	39	26	20	4	..	..	13	15	8	105	744	166 00	1500 00	20	..	..	..	..
J. W. Glids	Memorial, Easton	1	123	148	110	27	24	60	..	..	..	7	1	1	32	254	76 00	922 00	10	..	..	..	..
H. A. Franta.....	Kreidersville	2	450	295	185	27	16	1	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	258 00	1260 00	14	..	..	..	..
Vacant.....	Rittersville	1	142	104	90	2	12	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	26 00	260 00	4	..	..	..	..
S. P. Mauger, supply.	Flicksville	1	63	60	25	6	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	27 00	178 00	4	..	..	..	..
E. C. Hiebsman, supply.	Hamilton	1	194	75	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	28 00	223 00	..	..	..	..	..
Vacant.	Bethany, West Bethlehem	1	100	70	20	0	..	7	..	..	..	10	1	1	126	..	30 00	403 60	9	..	..	..	..
E. C. Weaver supply	North Bethlehem	1	55	45	23	9	6	10	..	..	..	3	1	1	30	213	7 00	100 00	8	..	..	..	..
E. C. Weaver, supply.	St. Peter's	1	129	100	24	8	..	4	..	..	..	3	..	1	95	..	82 52	200 00	4	..	..	..	..
W. H. Hoch, supply.	Oxford Furnace	1	130	83	78	3	7	27	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	80	18 00	120 20	7	..	..	..	..
31 ministers on roll.		54	11668	6594	6116	601	30	519	104	122	1	107	221	124	70	1393	9081	917637 85	194317	60	244	639

UNION CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	MEMBERS			ADDITIONAL		LAWYERS	M. M. W. A. T. I. O. N.			CONTRIBUTIONS			Church Papers Taken	POST OFFICE ADDRESS								
		Congregations	Communicants	Confirmed	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.		Confirmed	Certif. or Re-Prof.	Deacons used.	Excommunicated.	Expense of Names	Deacons, Comm.			Deacons, Unconf.	Sunday-School	Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Students for Ministry	Beneficent Pur-	Congregational Purposes	Missionary-Worship
Thomas C. Leinbach.	Barnville	6	1426	1283	325	49	97	10	40		00	33	18	4	96	548	3	3775	3500	30	104	Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.	
Will M. Hiestet	Without charge																			1	1	Myerstown, Berks Co., Pa.	
Daniel B. Albright	Without charge																			1	1	Mohrville, Berks Co., Pa.	
Jessie A. Schults	Without charge																			1	1		
Adam J. Bachman	Schaefferstown	8	890	825	210	75	62	6	10			33	26	8	124	720		323	1400	24	104	Schaefferstown, Leb. Co., Pa.	
Henry J. Welker	Tulpehocken	2	663	573	312	15	61	3	47		13	17	7	3	40	204	1	246	950	20	74	Myerstown, Leb. Co., Pa.	
W. J. Kerschner	Sinking Spring	4	1214	1120	621	73	61	3	47		27	30	12	8	129	593	1	294	3300	20	170	Reading, Berks Co., Pa.	
L. D. Stambaugh.	Womelsdorf	4	585	559	306	23	46	4	10		14	18	8	4	53	525		148	1015	24	60	Rehersburg, Berks Co., Pa.	
B. A. Leinbach.	Bern	3	1035	860	440	37	19	2	18		14	14	3	6	72	686	5	440	1600	14	43	333 N. 10th St., Reading, Pa.	
Thomas M. Yundt	Bethany	2	72	69	115		19	3	6				2	2	23	163		170	95	7	1	Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.	
D. Earnest Klopp, D.D.	Without charge																			1	1	Lebanon, Lebanon Co., Pa.	
J. V. George	Allegheny	5	782	761	501	51	47	1	17		30	17	18	8	148	740		175	1700	24	75	328 S. 3d St., Reading, Pa.	
I. Calvin Fisher	St. Mark's, Lebanon	1	571	464	327	41	22	21	4		13	3	9	1	54	870	3	416	1967	10	120	762 Millin St., Lebanon, Pa.	
Henry Hibbard.	Without charge																			1	1	Fredericksburg, Leb. Co., Pa.	
D. Henry Hellman.	Without charge																			1	1	Jonestown, Leb. Co., Pa.	
W. D. Donat	Swatara	4	443	358	266	15	22	7	2		3	10		4	92	365		279	1706	22	44	Jonestown, Leb. Co., Pa.	
J. Lewis Fluck	Myerstown	3	472	416	331	17	11	9	4		6	9	7	1	45	203		293	4315	13	50	Myerstown, Leb. Co., Pa.	
Edward B. Bromer	Tabor, Lebanon	1	700	578	406	30	34	19	42		12	12	1	1	72	451	1	952	4617	12	120	1034 Chestnut St., Lebanon, Pa.	
Henry H. Ranck	St. John's, Lebanon.	1	246	196	102	10	3	13	10		4	4	1	1	43	239		823	2524	12	10	331 Willow St., Lebanon, Pa.	
H. A. Keyser, D.D.	Bethel	4	704	686	375	11	4	63	6		3	3	3	4	101	574		36	1000	15		Fredericksburg, Leb. Co., Pa.	
Henry J. Welker, supply	Grace Church, Avon	1	135	114	43	3	5	22	9		3	3	1	1	23	155	1	25	769	8			
R. B. Appel, supply.	Shartlesville and Klesingers	2	186	166	130	17	8		1		4	6	2	43	230			50	51	33	35	38 Race Ave., Lancaster, Pa.	
Anselm V. Heister	Prof. in F. and M. College																						
Vacant	Campbelltown	2																					
Vacant	Anneville	2	281		175									4	108	455							
D. K. Laudenslager.	Licentiate																						
W. F. DeLong	Licentiate.																						
J. Thomas Fox	Licentiate.																						
		61	110427	8920	5534	473	49	1545	102	188	1153	312	123	60	1512	3015	10	34911	78	350149	38	355	877

Licentiate D. K. Laudenslager was ordained and installed as pastor of the Campbelltown charge, June 9, 1901.
 Licentiate W. F. DeLong was ordained and installed as pastor of the Anneville charge, June 16, 1901.

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MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	MEMBERS.										LOSSES.										S. & STA-TISTICS.				CONTRIBU-TIONS.		Minutes Wanted	Church Papers Taken	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																						
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POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

W. V. Gerhart, D.D., LL.D.	St. Stephen's, Lancaster.	1	56	33	13	2																		Lancaster, Pa.
Theodore Appel, D.D.	Author																							Lancaster, Pa.
Imaac B. Graeff, D.D.	Without charge.																							Reading, Pa.
John M. Titeb, D.D.	First Church, Lancaster.	1	504	354	121	4	3	16	4	5														Lancaster, Pa.
Joe. H. Dubbe, D.D., LL.D.	Prof. in F and M College.																							Lancaster, Pa.
B. Ave. Gert, D.D.	Prof. in Theological Seminary																							Lancaster, Pa.
A. Carl Whitmer.	Superintendent of Missions.																							Lancaster, Pa.
John G. Noss	New Holland.	2	340	235	177	8	3	9	9	10														New Holland, Pa.
Darius W. Overhard.	Salem at Heller's.	2	355	280	100	11	10	15	2	4														Lancaster, Pa.
Stephen Schweitzer.	Muddy Creek.	4	710	585	250	20	0	21	1	8														Ephrata, Pa.
Elghman Darr.	Salem at Rohrerstown	1	123	99	46	1				10														Lancaster, Pa.
Ambrose C. Geary.	Without charge.																							Fishersville, Pa.
Ellis N. Kremer, D.D.	Salem, Harrisburg.	1	423	324	144	7	1	14	10	6														Harrisburg, Pa.
Milton H. Sangree	Fourth Church, Harrisburg.	1	143	119	115	5	2	12	15	6														Harrisburg, Pa.
John A. Stahl, Ph.D., D.D.	President F. and M College.																							Lancaster, Pa.
John M. Bouder.	Zion, New Providence	1	144	114	60	3	5	12	2	1														New Providence, Pa.
Jonathan H. Fannebecker, D.D.	Columbia	2	416	257	8	8	19	11	7															Columbia, Pa.
James G. Dengler.	Maytown	1	108	79	55	1	1	3	1															Maytown, Pa.
William F. Lichter	St. Luke's, Lancaster	1	264	194	204	39	6	32	6	2														Lancaster, Pa.
Jairus P. Moore	Missionary to Japan.																							Lancaster, Pa.
Thomas S. Land	Zion's, Millersville	1	155	102	8	3	2	2	2	9														Millersville, Pa.
Alfred W. Dreisbach, Ph.D.	First Church, Steelton	1	155	101	105	10		4	12	3														Steelton, Pa.
Newton J. Miller.	Disabled																							Lancaster, Pa.
David B. Schneider, D.D.	Missionary to Japan																							Sandal, Japan.
Jairus A. Wickerl	Reamstown	4	440	358	17	1	4	14	4															Denver, Pa.
Warren J. Johnson	Without charge																							Lancaster, Pa.
Theodore G. DeLyre	Without charge																							Lancaster, Pa.
James W. Meminger	St. Paul's, Lancaster.	2	234	234	253	18	17	26	20	14														Lancaster, Pa.
George F. Muil	Prof. in F and M College																							Lancaster, Pa.
Richard C. Schiedt, Ph.D.	Prof. in F and M College																							Lancaster, Pa.
Alfred H. Hishman, Ph.D.	Second Church, Harrisburg	1	247	202	140	14	4	12	23	6														Harrisburg, Pa.
Benjamin M. Meyer	Christ Church, Ellipsbethtown.	1	224	184	47	4	7	10	8	5														Ellipsbethtown, Pa.
Louis C. Harnish	Hummelstown	2	202	154	92	2	3	12	8	3														Hummelstown, Pa.
William Yener	Marietta	1	193	165	80	19	4	10	7	3														Marietta, Pa.
George W. Welch	Manheim	2	260	235	121	3	3	4	7															Manheim, Pa.
Frederick C. Holthorst	Bethany.	2	204	145	67	10	1	8	5															Ephrata, Pa.
J. Rauch Stein	St. John's, Harrisburg	1	101	64	65	12	4	18	32	5														Harrisburg, Pa.
Daniel G. Glass	Faith, Lancaster	1	111	93	140	14	4	16	7															Lancaster, Pa.
J. Hunter Watts	Ass. agent to St. Paul's																							Lancaster, Pa.
Orville B. Wehr	Willowstreet	2	151	110	30	1	15	19	4															Willowstreet, Pa.
Robert F. Reed	Zwingli, Harrisburg	1	77	58	43	4	1	10	12	3														Harrisburg, Pa.
Allen K. Faust	Missionary to Japan																							Sandal, Japan.
Albert N. Stubblebine	St. Paul's, Quarryville	1	126	104	104	2	2	3	3															Quarryville, Pa.
Albert R. Kreider.	Shoop's	2	138	108	108	2	2	3	3															Pennbrook, Pa.
Stuart Gramer	Assistant, First Ch., Lancaster																							Lancaster, Pa.

Students for the Ministry: Paul L. Gerhard, Lancaster, Pa.; Edwin T. Rhodes, Glenville
Charles L. Noss, New Holland, Pa.; Stephen L. Flickinger, Reinhold Station, Pa.

EAST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.

CHURCHES.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

Adolph Duerger	Retired	5	402	361	178	29	29	2	5	12	13	6	4	64	218	5768 56	\$732 40	25	23	Ashland, Pa.
A. R. Hollenstein	Mahanoy	4	212	185	90	11	6	5	1	4	1	3	24	117	116 28	116 28	444 00	8	14	Mahanoy, Pa.
C. H. Mutschler	Augusta	4	432	388	350	37	1	23	1	10	6	6	4	40	317	194 41	300 00	24	24	Sunbury, Pa.
S. P. Brown	Uniontown	4	162	715	719	122	42	7	26	12	11	8	3	34	1234	1700 00	3265 00	26	100	Pillow, Pa.
C. B. Schneider	Shamokin	4	493	431	450	37	33	2	1	5	12	3	1	32	332	404 00	900 00	17	49	Shamokin, Pa.
John J. Stauffer	Lykens Valley	1	461	417	420	34	23	11	3	12	4	6	1	32	332	420 00	4257 00	15	18	Elizabethville, Pa.
Immac M. Schaeffer	Ashland	4	359	274	145	34	29	2	2	5	5	5	61	287	214 68	214 68	394 00	20	24	Ashland, Pa.
O. F. Schaeffer	Deep Creek	4	165	152	125	27	7	9	4	3	7	5	2	13	98	77 57	525 00	9	14	Hogton, Pa.
L. M. Fatteroll	Mainville	2	392	349	350	12	13	3	1	2	12	3	3	33	461	206 25	1556 00	15	40	Mainville, Pa.
A. P. Frantz	Nunda	2	185	144	118	29	2	11	2	2	12	3	2	29	165	91 47	800 00	10	20	Newlin, Pa.
George S. Butz	Paxinos	6	428	263	387	75	31	1	1	9	13	8	33	375	240 86	240 86	605 00	30	60	Paxinos, Pa.
O. D. Kresley	Line Mountain	1	200	145	85	23	13	29	4	17	2	2	1	20	230	49 61	1331 00	8	14	Lock Hill, Pa.
Albert Gomer	Mt. Carmel	1	349	294	250	9	13	13	4	1	9	11	1	35	350	374 75	1904 00	13	30	Mt. Carmel, Pa.
Robert O'Boyle	Sunbury	1	138	107	90	2	13	2	2	1	6	1	1	30	150	236 45	792 98	12	30	Sunbury, Pa.
A. T. O. Apple	Catawissa	2	422	342	364	9	5	13	5	8	3	3	53	360	308 00	308 00	1381 00	16	27	Catawissa, Pa.
S. H. Imenberg, Ph D	Millersburg	3	94	341	52	20	3	5	2	9	1	3	2	3	106	3 00	330 00	15	40	Millersburg, Pa.
J. Alvin Reber	McAdoo Mission	1	21	18	12	2	2	2	2	1	1	1	1	10	20	3 87	45 00	4	2	McAdoo, Pa.
Albert Gomer, supply	Hope Congregation	3	135	120	125	16	3	23	2	1	2	3	3	35	190	173 06	292 32	10	40	Mt. Carmel, Pa.
Vacant	Tower City Mission	3	145	180	215	29	33	4	1	9	3	3	44	310	114 00	114 00	500 00	14		Mt. Carmel, Pa.
Vacant	Ringtown																			Ringtown, Pa.
Vacant	Mt. Carmel Slav																			Mt. Carmel, Pa.
L. D. Stockel	Without charge																			Lykens, Pa.
Joseph H. Schlappeh	Without charge																			McKeesport, Pa.
S. P. Harrel	Without charge																			Fredericksburg, Pa.
J. W. Buck	Without charge																			Plainsfield, N. J.
M. M. Fryer	Without charge																			Willemstown, Pa.

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C. M. MUTSCHLER, Stated Clerk.

GOSHENHOPPEN CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	MEMBERS. ADDITIONS. LOSSES.										S. S. STA. TISTICS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.						
		Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Perf. or Re-Prof.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Renewal of Names.	Deaths. Commu.	Deaths. Uncomm.	Sunday Schools.		Officers and Teach.	Sunday School Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Pur-poses.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Wanted	Church Papers Taken
L. Kryder Evans, D D	Trinity, Pottstown	1	730	837	500	40	4	34	12	13		12	34	2	98	764			\$755 00	\$5797 00	18	Pottstown, Pa
Steen M. K. Huber	Wentz's	2	441	420	180	17	9	21	5	5		10	9	3	61	334	1		324 00	1150 00	10	72 Skippack, Pa.
Will Keller, D D	Zionsville	4	890	832	410	20	11	64	8	9		30	17	4	40	384			523 00	2265 00	18	Allentown, Pa.
Imao S. Stahl	Oley	4	749	826	446	30	11	28	3	9		11	7	4	52	364	1		513 00	1550 00	12	Oley, Pa
Charles S. Wiand	Zion's, Pottstown	1	442	332	240	25	1	10	10			12	12	1	36	363			308 00	1178 00	10	Pottstown, Pa
Joseph H. Freeman	Boyetown	2	585	397	347	25	21	23	12	10		11	11	4	53	435			313 00	1961 00	14	Boyetown, Pa
J. Lucian Roush	Old Goshenhoppen	4	895	843	600	22	31	38	7	12		1	16	5	160	878			1012 00	1634 00	18	Pennsburg, Pa.
George W. Roth	Swamp-Amity	3	492	456	120	11	2	15	4	13		7	12	3	55	270			178 00	3032 00	15	Boyetown, Pa
George B. Walbert	New Goshenhoppen	1	805	657	300	20		20	7	4		9	5	1	51	417			544 00	1953 00	14	East Greenville, Pa
William B. Warner	Schwenksville	2	482	310	263	19	2	13	3	2		6	6	2	41	231	1		316 00	1150 00	18	Schwenksville, Pa
Thomas H. Leinbach	Great Swamp-Chestnut Hill	2	565	478	283	12	10	10	2	1		9	8	2	48	214	1		818 00	1485 00	10	Spinnertown, Pa
Edwin W. Lantz	Royersford	1	178	160		6	10	26	11	7		14		2	26	206			136 00	1703 00	8	Royersford, Pa
Oleville R. Pranta	Zionsville, supply																					Old Zionsville, Pa
J. Frank Dechant	Licentiate																					1306 Arch St., Phila., Pa.
Charles A. Mohr	Licentiate																					Macungie, Pa.
William C. Slough	Licentiate.																					Worcester, Pa
Daniel K. Loudenslager	Licentiate																					Quakertown, Pa.
Abner Hundelker	Without charge																					Schwenksville, Pa
Ministers, 14. Licentiates, 2.		27	7234	5944	2629	1264	84	130	89	85	138	156	194	23	738	4654	4	96960 00	938440 00	179	177	

*Received May 14, 1901, and now pastor of the Zionsville charge.

†Dismissed to the Congregational Church, May 14, 1901.

‡Licensed May 16, 1901.

§Licensed May 15, 1901, and dismissed to Lebanon Classis May 16, 1901.

||Received from Iowa Classis, June 24, 1901.

CHARLES S. WIAND, Stated Clerk.

WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	MEMBERS.										S. S. STATISTICS.										CONTRIBUTIONS.		Church Papers Taken.
		ADDITIONS.					LOSSES.					OFFICERS AND TEACH.					GENERAL PURPOSES.					Beneficial Purposes.	(Congregational) Purposes.	
		Communicants.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. or Re-Pro.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Renounce of Names.	Deaths, Commended.	Deaths, Uncommended.	Sunday-Schools.	Officers and Teach.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.								
		Congregations.	Commenced.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. or Re-Pro.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Renounce of Names.	Deaths, Commended.	Deaths, Uncommended.	Sunday-Schools.	Officers and Teach.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficial Purposes.	(Congregational) Purposes.	Minutes Wanted.				
D. W. Wolf, D. D.	Principal S. M. Academy	6	454	430	287	27	20	2	9	4	10	2	6	29	430	...	...	...	...	...
W. W. Clouser.	Without charge	4	464	404	288	35	4	21	9	3	8	1	3	36	195	...	...	...	...	...
W. A. Haas.	Bellinagrove	5	391	370	200	25	1	23	11	18	9	11	4	42	197	...	...	...	...	...
A. A. Black	Bonsburg	6	237	202	182	13	8	6	3	4	5	1	6	64	331	...	...	...	...	...
S. S. Kohler	New Berlin	3	385	308	160	7	1	17	5	4	6	2	1	23	170	...	...	...	...	...
J. W. Brown	Aaronsburg	3	280	238	102	2	9	10	1	12	4	1	1	12	185	...	...	...	...	...
Flighman Derr	Lock Haven	4	285	257	190	15	13	18	6	...	3	1	3	51	259	...	...	...	...	...
James M. Runkle	Williamsport	2	805	365	150	3	1	12	13	...	12	3	1	17	170	...	...	...	...	...
J. L. Barnhart.	White Deer	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thomas L. Bickel.	Beliefonte	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
M. W. Schwellzer	Without charge	5	622	549	105	47	2	24	1	7	18	2	6	76	625	...	...	...	...	...
H. H. Spahn.	Beaver Springs	4	570	289	82	4	10	23	13	...	6	4	4	41	248	...	...	...	...	...
George W. Karschner.	Centre Hall...	5	297	262	176	24	1	23	31	...	2	3	6	64	299	...	...	...	...	...
Harvey I. Crow	Nittany Valley	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. E. Hoy.	Missionary to China	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Frank Wetzel.	Rebersburg	5	289	263	185	13	2	34	18	...	7	3	6	81	275	...	...	...	...	...
K. Olin Spennard	Milminburg	1	221	293	160	11	3	12	18	...	4	5	1	26	198	...	...	...	...	...
E. L. Gerhart, D. D.	Lewleburg	1	245	212	80	15	2	42	13	...	5	4	1	30	286	...	...	...	...	...
...	Buequebanna	2	119	68	50	...	...	...	7	...	...	6	2	3	80	...	...	...	...	...
...	Buffalo Valley	2	123	115	94	17	2	3	9	...	4	2	3	23	170	...	...	...	...	...
...	Livarpool	7	263	242	170	21	4	...	...	...	4	3	7	41	118	...	...	...	...	...
David I. Schaefer.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		62	5759	5086	2923	271	25	270	123	124	57	114	43	158	686	4849	4	15793	77	119119	86	191	756	
		18	31																					

*Dismissed to Philadelphia Classis, June 7th, 1901.
 †Dismissed to St. Paul's Classis, July 26th, 1901.
 ‡Dismissed to Lancaster Classis, August 20th, 1901.
 §Received June 15th, 1901.

WILLIAM A. HAAS, Stated Clerk.

GOSENHOPPEN CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	MEMBERS. ADDITIONS.										LOSERS.		S. S. STATISTICS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.			
		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cart. or Re-Profl.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Resure of Names.	Deaths. Commu.	Deaths. Unconfd.	Sunday-Schools.	Officers and Teach.	Sunday-School Scholars.	Students for Ministry.		Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purpose.	Minutes Wanted.	Church Papers Taken
L. Kryder Evans, D.D.	Trinity, Pottstown	1 720	837	500	40	4	34	13	13	..	23	34	2	98	764	..	\$755 00	\$5797 00	18	Pottstown, Pa.	
Simon M. K. Huber	West's	2 461	430	310	17	9	21	..	5	..	..	10	8	2	51	324	1	324 00	1150 00	18	Skippack, Pa.
Wm. Keller D.D.	Zionsville	4 800	832	410	20	1	64	6	8	..	..	20	7	4	80	384	..	523 00	3280 00	18	Allentown, Pa.
James S. Stahr	Oley	4 749	826	446	20	1	33	3	9	..	3	11	7	4	32	366	1	512 00	1550 00	12	Oley, Pa.
Charles B. Wiand	Zion's, Pottstown..	1 442	332	240	25	..	18	10	..	13	12	8	1	36	303	..	265 00	1175 00	10	Pottstown, Pa.	
Joseph E. Freeman	Boyetown	3 535	337	347	25	2	23	13	10	..	..	11	11	4	53	430	..	312 00	1961 00	14	Boyetown, Pa.
J. Lorlan Roub	Old Goshenhoppen	4 886	643	600	23	2	35	7	12	1	18	9	5	5	190	573	..	1012 00	1624 00	13	Pennsburg, Pa.
George W. Roth	Swamp-Ambly	3 492	458	120	11	3	15	4	12	7	4	9	5	1	50	270	..	173 00	3422 00	15	Boyetown, Pa.
George J. Walbert	New Goshenhoppen	1 806	657	300	30	..	20	7	4	..	..	8	5	1	51	417	..	644 00	1943 00	14	East Greenville, Pa.
William B. Werner	Schwenksville	2 463	319	263	19	2	13	2	2	..	..	5	8	2	42	231	1	316 00	1156 00	16	Schwenksville, Pa.
Thomas H. Leinbaub	Great Swamp-Chestnut Hill	2 545	478	383	19	..	10	3	1	..	..	9	8	3	48	314	1	813 00	1485 00	16	Spidersetown, Pa.
Edwin W. Lantz	Royersford	1 178	160	..	6	10	23	21	7	14	..	..	2	1	25	306	..	136 00	1703 00	8	Royersford, Pa.
David H. Frantz	Zionsville supply	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Old Zionsville, Pa.
J. Frank Dechant	Licentiate	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1203 Arch St., Phila., Pa.
Charles A. Mohr	Licentiate	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Macungie, Pa.
William C. Blough	Licentiate	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Worcester, Pa.
Daniel K. Loudenslager	Licentiate	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Quakertown, Pa.
Abner Hunsticker	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Schwenksville, Pa.
Ministers, 14; Licentiates, 2		37 7224	3348	2638	264	34	330	50	86	38	136	94	35	738	4056	4	35800 00	535400 00	179	177	

*Received May 14, 1901, and now pastor of the Zionsville charge.

†Dismissed to the Congregational Church, May 14, 1901.

‡Licensed May 15, 1901.

§Licensed May 15, 1901, and dismissed to Lebanon Classis May 15, 1901.

||Received from Iowa Classis, June 23, 1901.

CHARLES S. WIEAND, stated Clerk.

SCHUYLKILL CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	CHARGES.	MEMBERS. ADDITIONS. LOSSES.										M. STA- TISTICS.		CONTRIBU- TIONS.			POST OFFICE ADDRESS.						
		(Congregations.	Communicants.	Communed.	Uncommuned.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cent. or Re-Prof.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Renure of Names.	Deaths, Commun.	Deaths, Uncomm.	Ordina and Teach.	Sunday-School Scholars.		Students for Ministry.	Benefactor Pur- poses.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Wanted.	Church Papers Taken.	
H. Leime	Bethany	3	340	260	150	18	18	9	37	5		10	4	1	2	50	140	\$129 35	\$1000	1	20	Orwigburg, Pa.	
J. J. Fisher	Trinity, Tamaqua	1	325	248	200	25	25	17	27	5		8	6	3	1	35	200	123 00	1358	19	..	Tamaqua, Pa.	
W. Donat	New Jerusalem	4	834	631	459	53	53	78	15	8		14	16	10	6	59	432	530 00	1795	20	..	Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	
O. H. Strunk	St John's, Schuylkill Haven	1	394	333	183	20	20	17	17	12		14	4	5	1	40	360	440 00	1800	12	70	Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	
C. E. Bartholomew	St Mark's	1	293	175	150	22	22	24	15	10			9	4	1	24	124	130 00	1900	3	75	Cressona, Pa.	
T. J. Bower	Prackville charge	2	100	145	97	19	19	27	15	11			5	5	1	15	195	81 80	1083	13	..	Prackville, Pa.	
W. H. Herbert	Without charge																					Pottsville, Pa.	
E. S. Noll	Pinegrove	3	428	362	425	77	77	40	5	5		10	12	2	3	35	370	185 00	2372 00	14	75	Pinegrove, Pa.	
I. F. Wagner	Emmanuel	1	149	114	90	12	12	11	19	5		8	1	1	1	19	120	75 00	1542 80	6	..	Mtneraville, Pa.	
W. D. Stoyer	Tremont	4	415	325	300	58	58	23	24	10		20	11	19	4	74	553	78 00	2332 00	25	..	Tremont, Pa.	
G. W. Hartman	Orwigburg	3	320	274	108	24	24	32	21	8		20	8	5	3	28	315	365 00	1400 00	12	30	Orwigburg, Pa.	
Z. A. Yearick	Shenandoah	1	597	205	276	17	17	12	7	5		40	10	2	1	39	484	218 72	2079 00	20	18	Shenandoah, Pa.	
S. L. Whitmore	Trinity, Pottsville	1	510	490	375	29	29	16	12	20		25	1	15	1	30	308	435 00	2145 00	24	150	5 N 8th St, Pottsville, Pa.	
M. A. Peters	First Church Pottsville	1	346	105	180	18	18	12	31	8		25	1	15	1	30	308	137 80	1451 00	13	35	1008 W Market St, Pottsville.	
A. Lobach	St John's, Tamaqua	2	300	185	280	34	34	49	21	6		10	11	3	2	49	385	127 00	1350 00	10	40	Tamaqua, Pa.	
J. O. Karschner	St Paul's	1	444	582	495	57	57	59	22	15		10	6	10	1	57	554	593 00	2223 00	25	80	Mahanoy City, Pa.	
G. W. Gerhard	Supply, Port Clinton	1	60	48	50	5	5	1	4				1	1	1	13	90	30 00	150 80	6	2	Hamburg, Pa.	
J. J. Fisher	Supply, Christ Church	1	155	120	100	22	22		4	5			2	3	3	12	80	340 00	175 00	..	..	Tamaqua, Pa.
J. J. Fisher	Supply, St Peter's	1	40	34	30	4	4						3	3	2	10	14	12 00	269 00	..	..	Tamaqua, Pa.
J. J. Fisher	Supply, Zion's	1	50	33	25	4	4							1	1	5	25	18 00	110 00	..	..	Tamaqua, Pa.
T. J. Bower	Supply, New Castle	1	25	18	25								1	1	1	5	38	5 00	41 00	..	..	Prackville, Pa.
M. A. Peters	Supply St John's, St Clair	1	95	54	50	11	11	2	5			6	1	9	1	17	100	19 50	606 00	8	15	Pottsville, Pa.	
		\$46410	4732	4213	537	14	432	342	134		129	117	106	57	618	5197	1	13233	27	327395	90	224	634

WILLIAM D. STOYER, Stated Clerk.

WYOMING CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.		CHARGES.		MEMBERS. ADDITIONS										LOSSES.		3 & 8 STA- TISTICS.			CONTRIBU- TIONS.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
				Communicable.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed.	Cert. or Re-Prov.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Communi- d.	Sunday-schools.	Officers and Teach- ers.	Sunday-school Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Pur- poses.	Constitutional Purposes.	Minutes Wanted.	Church Papers Taken		
A. Houts	Orangeville	4 290	252	80	9	5	10	3	10	3	5	1	4	79	324		\$252 00	\$4400 00	8	Orangeville, Pa.		
A. M. Masonheimer, Ph.D.	Weatherly	3 325	200	260	43	28	4	14	14	10	8	14	4	32	480		153 00	1575 00	12	Weatherly, Pa.		
D. W. Ebbert, D.D.	Milton	1 405	296	373	12	1	4	7	6	1	6		1	31	287	1	508 00	2945 00	15	Milton Pa.		
C. W. E. Beigel.	Without charge.																			York, Pa.		
F. H. Kieff.	Nanticoke	1 142	152	151	15		8	18					1	24	95		161 00	1187 00	8	Nanticoke, Pa.		
S. C. Meckel.	Retired																			Wilkes-Barre, Pa.		
C. H. Herbst	West Hazleton	1 200	150	180	42	13	6	8	8	10	4	10	1	56	272		145 00	1200 00	19	West Hazleton, Pa.		
W. D. Hoppel.	Zion's Wilkes-Barre	1 401	274	280	17	1	14	23	4		7	1	3	29	273		268 00	2617 00	10	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.		
E. H. Dieffenbacher.	Without charge.																			Jerseytown, Pa.		
S. E. Stoffet.	Emmanuel's, Hazleton	1 230	270	215	37	23	23	23	13	2			1	20	385		475 51	2187 25	15	Hazleton Pa.		
W. H. Lense.	Without charge.																			Sellingrove, Pa.		
A. H. Herbst.	Wapwallopen	6 442	237	297	19	20	26	6	6	6	6	6	6	72	537		310 00	1023 00	22	Wapwallopen, Pa.		
J. W. Bell.	Emmanuel's	2 375	235	342	10	9	12			6	7		2	32	226		232 00	1222 00	16	Strawberry Ridge, Pa.		
T. P. Bolliger.	St. Luke's, Wilkes-Barre	2 351	211	257	33	13	47			13	2	6	2	23	194		140 00	950 00	14	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.		
J. S. Kerschner.	Freeland	2 447	214	389	30	21	30	12	12		4	3	2	43	314		302 19	1509 00	14	Freeland, Pa.		
William Toennes	Grace, Hazleton	1 430	212	360	42	12	12			2	10	10	1	50	425		398 04	5560 97	8	Hazleton, Pa.		
J. W. Reinecke	St. John's	1 366	250	260	40	4	20	6	6		10	4	5	52	450		300 00	1100 00	12	St. John's, Pa.		
J. B. Thomas, Ph.D.	Bloomburg	1 171	148	64	6	6	14	6	4		3	1	1	35	185	1	186 00	844 00	7	Bloomburg, Pa.		
C. D. Lerch.	Maudsdale	2 197	151	53	7	8	22	3	9	8	7	2	2	37	178		141 00	650 00	12	Danville, Pa.		
M. L. Flier	Calvary	1 104	91	53	14	2	6	12	7	3	2	5	1	12	53		102 06	1100 00	30	511 Monroe Ave., Scranton.		
Eliaz A. Noll.	Payette	1 108	71	30	1	3	4	4			6	4	1	10	39		57 77	789 37	9	Payette, N. Y.		
George Limbert.	Danville	1 295	222	130	20	3	34	6	9	2	2	7	1	25	185	1	416 00	1372 00	26	Danville, Pa.		
P. H. Hoover.	Overton	3 213	131	146	6	4	7	1			3	1	3	31	165		23 00	463 00	8	Dushore, Pa.		
C. E. Cornell.	Conyngham	3 235	113	215	45	3	25	4	3		10	4	4	34	302		195 40	1263 16	16	Conyngham, Pa.		
T. O. Sham.	Paradise	2 406	323		5	1	6				3	1	2	46	260	1	119 55	1127 00	14	Turbotville, Pa.		
E. M. Beck.	Watsontown	2 216	254	120	6	1	10	6	1	17	3	2	3	44	364		354 00	1181 94	16	Watsontown, Pa.		
A. Heuts, supply.	Brier Creek.	1 32	39	10	1	3	5		1		1						30 00	75 00	2	Orangeville, Pa.		
E. M. Beck, supply.	St. John's, Delaware Run.	1 94	67		2						1		1	13	45		13 00	136 00	6	Watsontown, Pa.		
Lee, M. C. Musicman.	Overton, Pa.																			Overton, Pa.		
		44 6618	15035	2786	450	36	291	226	138	17	104	60	61	327	5892	4	15338	76	127725	30	237	663

C. H. HERBERT, Stated Clerk.

READING CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	CHARGER.	MEMBERS.				ADDITIONS.				LOSERS.				S. S. & STATION.				CONTRIBUTIONS.		Church Papers Taken.	Minutes Wanted.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cert. or Re-Prof.	Discontinued.	Resignations of Names.	Deaths, Communicants.	Deaths, Unconfirmed.	Sunday-School.	Officers and Teachers.	Students for Ministry.	Prose.	Congregational Purpose.					
R. Bauman, D.D.	St. Paul's, Memorial	1 1065	250	15	1	24	24	5	20	10	2	1	61	628	14	10700 00	10018 00	14	...	322 N. 6th St., Reading, Pa.		
H. Moser, D.D.	First Church, Reading	1 1141	1068	406	49	2	29	17	10	...	21	8	1	86	1217	1	1806 00	4302 64	16	200	611 Washington St., Reading, Pa.	
J. W. Steinmetz, D.D.	St. John's	1 450	340	400	40	1	31	3	6	15	5	7	1	46	807	...	300 00	2300 00	14	50	311 Chestnut St., Reading, Pa.	
C. Gerhard, D.D.	St. Stephen's	1 723	570	430	31	...	57	34	15	9	7	8	1	63	775	...	430 00	2500 00	11	...	508 N. 9th St., Reading, Pa.	
H. Y. Stoner	Pra. of Inter-State Com. Coll.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Reading, Pa.
H. K. Binkley	Ag't. for Reformed Ch. Record.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Reading, Pa.
J. I. Good, D.D.	Calvary	1 370	340	142	15	2	23	17	8	...	3	...	...	41	800	1	400 00	3481 00	14	...	213 N. 6th St., Reading, Pa.
S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.	Second Church, Reading	1 700	500	210	15	10	16	7	7	4	5	2	1	54	564	2	3300 00	2250 00	15	...	225 S. 6th St., Reading, Pa.	
J. P. Balle, D.D.	St. Thomas	1 329	205	307	42	1	39	28	5	5	5	6	1	52	446	...	120 00	3753 64	9	25	351 N. 11th St., Reading, Pa.	
H. K. Miller	Missionary	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Japan.
Q. W. Hahn	Faith and St. James	2 268	240	160	14	1	21	17	12	9	2	2	2	...	580	...	127 00	3040 00	14	15	153 Walnut St., Reading, Pa.	
D. W. Gerhart	First Church, Hamburg	1 340	310	125	34	...	18	8	6	...	6	7	1	41	400	...	144 00	2369 00	9	35	Hamburg, Pa.	
R. W. Lettve	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Reading, Pa.
J. R. Miller	Gen. Sec. S. A. Board.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Reading, Pa.
J. R. Brown	Schwartzwald	1 622	541	300	30	...	...	...	...	18	4	5	6	110	415	...	540 00	1124 00	12	40	342 N. 6th St., Reading, Pa.
J. A. Danner	Aleace	2 818	780	320	57	40	4	6	6	...	23	9	3	14	300	...	230 00	1250 00	14	110	Eatery, Pa.	
M. L. Harbein	Spies	1 425	347	325	42	...	...	...	...	10	9	11	3	36	146	...	31 00	1400 00	5	30	1194 N. 9th St., Reading, Pa.
D. M. Schaefer	Leansport	4 517	433	196	24	2	20	4	3	...	7	4	4	41	339	...	236 00	1399 00	14	...	1820 Perkiomeno Ave., Reading.	
C. E. Schaefer	St. Mark's	1 843	569	450	62	1	44	73	4	43	7	5	1	95	365	...	263 00	2301 00	10	...	West Leansport, Pa.	
M. L. Harbela	Trinity	1 811	70	45	3	3	3	1	2	14	2	1	1	9	100	...	19 00	550 00	4	6	301 W. Olney St., Reading, Pa.	
D. R. Creits	Asst. pastor in St. Paul's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Reading, Pa.
Paul I. Deppen	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vacant	Olivel	1 31	60	35	4	...	...	...	...	13	1	...	...	27	158	...	50 00	633 50	4	6	...
Vacant	St Andrew's	1 538	419	400	35	32	18	8	8	...	2	1	1	78	744	...	500 00	3033 00	9	...	...
Ministers, 24.		23 5639	7542	4487	402	11	276	276	112	167	117	78	20	868	3052	4	337457 00	354462 72	133	512		

Rev. F. B. Hahn died May 16, 1901. Lic. Henry H. Rupp received, and ordained June 23, 1901. Lic. William E. Hart received, and ordained October 2, 1901. S. R. BRIDENBAUGH, Stated Clerk.

STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES, A. D. 1901.

	No. of Classes.	No. of Ministers.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONAL.			LOSERS.			S. S. STA-TISTICS.			CONTRIBU-TIONS.			
			Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cert. or Re-Prof.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Renewal of Names.	Deaths, Commun'.	Deaths, Uncommun'.	Sunday-School Officers and Teach.	Students for Ministry.	Benevolent Pur-poses.	Congregational Purposes.
East Pennsylvania.	21	64	11359	3632	8116	661	20	519	506	192	1	167	231	234	76	9	\$1537 82	\$42117 96
Lebanon ..	22	51	10427	3950	5534	473	49	545	302	185	1	153	213	123	80	10	4911 78	50149 28
Philadelphia ..	41	37	7709	4373	3004	271	121	843	424	169	2	192	82	22	27	12	12344 00	77081 00
Lancaster ..	45	51	7573	5711	2701	268	127	318	224	131	1	107	162	80	43	11	6237 78	49015 82
East Susquehanna.	22	54	6257	5129	4445	540	7	374	167	77	1	72	126	74	51	2	6798 65	22501 70
West Susquehanna.	16	42	5759	5066	2912	271	25	270	183	124	1	57	114	42	58	4	5792 77	18119 86
Tobacco ..	21	39	5483	4943	4273	361	47	409	186	101	1	144	169	79	51	6	7049 24	27300 10
Greenbotten ..	14	27	7234	5948	3529	244	34	320	89	85	1	28	126	94	23	4	5490 00	25469 00
Lehigh ..	34	40	15181	11614	7523	783	8	784	447	272	1	173	278	167	87	11	12321 00	80596 90
Schuykill ..	19	34	6410	4722	4213	537	14	422	243	126	1	129	117	104	37	1	3832 37	27298 00
Wyoming ..	27	44	8418	5035	3745	450	35	231	228	128	1	59	101	60	49	4	5269 74	27752 20
Reading ..	24	23	8889	7642	4487	502	11	376	276	112	1	167	117	76	29	4	37487 00	64482 78
Eastern Synod (Total) ..	12	516	102168	81716	51612	5371	508	4981	2124	1704	8	1577	1943	1045	591	77	\$110433 00	\$1807033 00
Ohio Synod ..	6	149	25519	21038	12032	718	573	1156	1108	614	3	942	336	110	112	22	25060 00	180684 80
German Synod of Northwest.	12	183	22100	15943	14277	1554	29	1154	609	255	22	431	213	184	1	30	20717 00	103154 00
Pittsburgh Synod ..	5	86	19128	16714	9431	800	158	925	628	380	1	597	226	104	127	7	20022 00	109907 00
Potomac Synod ..	8	149	29603	21383	21452	1658	204	1447	1063	739	1	556	669	321	1	29	44663 00	126676 00
German Synod of East.	5	65	15307	11830	10378	1397	18	266	654	169	2	722	250	131	57	9	2222 00	92964 00
Central Synod ..	8	100	22246	17063	12501	1242	42	387	628	242	4	548	335	189	1	22	17682 00	94464 00
Synod of the Interior.	6	59	3111	2639	1345	137	69	122	132	87	1	150	47	15	1	4	6268 00	28831 00
Total of 8 Synods, 1901 ..	58	1112	248019	197518	120481	12377	1741	11271	7052	4361	26	16579	4578	2129	1	202	\$284244 00	\$11202317 00
Total of 8 Synods, 1900 ..	57	1063	242945	190060	120026	12307	1698	11580	6184	4168	23	15418	4041	1861	1	222	\$245160 00	\$11288224 00

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One Hundred and Fifty-Sixth Annual Sessions

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS
OF THE
Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church
in the United States

AT ITS ANNUAL SESSIONS IN WILKESBARRE, PA., IN THE
MONTH OF OCTOBER, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND TWO.

The sessions began on the 22d, and continued until 27th,
adjourning at 5.30 P. M.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

Synod convened in Zion Reformed church, Wilkesbarre, Pa., Wednesday, October 22, A. D. 1902, at 8 P. M., according to adjournment.

The session was opened with religious service.

Revs. Scott R. Wagner and Jas. R. Brown conducted the altar service.

The opening sermon was preached by the President, Rev. Jno. S. Stahr, D.D., from the text (Matt. 13:52), "Then said he unto them, Therefore every scribe which is instructed into the kingdom of heaven is like unto a man that is an householder which bringeth forth out of his treasure things new and old."

After the sermon, the Holy Communion was celebrated, the members of Synod participating.

The session was opened with prayer. The provisional roll was called and a quorum was present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers—W. H. Wotring, F. W. Smith, S. P. Mauger, A. O. Bartholomew, J. G. Rupp, M. N. George.

Elders—Cyrus Zellner, E. J. Freeman, M.D., Tilghman Odenwelder, Preston T. Lerch, William Reigle, W. H. Anthony.

Lebanon Classis.

Ministers—V. W. Dippell, D.D., J. V. George, D.D., J. Lewis Fluck, W. D. Donat.

Elders—Samuel Klopp, H. D. Leinbach, Cornelius Loose, Jno. M. Leis.

Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers—John H. Sechler, D.D., Jos. H. Hendricks, D.D., Jerome B. Henry, Edw. F. Wiest, Chas. H. Coon, D.D., Albert S. Bromer, H. T. Spangler, D.D.

Elders—H. M. Housekeeper, Hiram C. Hoover, A. D. Simpson P. Williard.

Lancaster Classis.

Ministers—D. G. Glass, Tilghman Derr, J. W. Meminger, D.D., J. H. Pannebecker, D.D., M. H. Sangree, Jos. H. Dubbs, D.D., J. Rauch Stein, A. N. Stubblebine.

Elders—Samuel Shumaker, H. C. Boyd, E. M. Hartman, J. H. Kurzenknabe, E. B. Smith, Jos. H. Fouse, Geo. W. Bair, G. W. D. Enders.

East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—J. Alvin Reber, O. F. Schaeffer, A. Zimmerman, Simon P. Brown.

Elders—Chas. C. Leader, N. B. Otto, Elias Boyer.

West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—H. I. Crow, Wm. A. Haas, A. M. Schmidt.

Elders—John Hoy, A. Lukenbach, Wm. Moyer.

Tohickon Classis.

Ministers—D. Scheirer, A. B. Koplin, D.D., W. H. Mader, C. B. Weaver.

Elders—Chas. Freed, T. W. Weaver, J. G. Moyer, L. M. Althouse.

Goshenhoppen Classis.

Ministers—Edwin W. Lentz, Thos. H. Leinbach, Chas. S. Wieand.

Elders—Jesse W. Evans, Henry Bobb, M.D., John M. Shade.

Lehigh Classis.

Ministers—M. H. Brensinger, Thos. W. Dickert, James N. Bachman, Geo. B. Smith, L. J. Rohrbaugh, S. R. Wagner, E. E. Leinbach.

Elders—J. M. Grimley, R. H. Kram, Daniel M. Hoch, Jno. S. Yeager, Jas. Schaeffer, Daniel Nein.

Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers—Z. A. Yearick, C. E. Bartholomew, Albert Lobach.

Elders—John Geissinger.

Wyoming Classis.

Ministers—J. W. Bell, T. O. Stem, D. W. Ebbert, D.D., P. H. Hoover, E. M. Beck.

Elders—Daniel Clinger, Daniel Lerch, W. B. Laiser.

Reading Classis.

Ministers—James R. Brown, D. E. Schaeffer, H. H. Ranck.

Elders—Samuel W. Kerr, Frank Reichert.

Advisory Members Present.

The following advisory members were present at one or more of the sessions, to wit:

Wyoming Classis—Revs. F. H. Ruloff, C. H. Herbst, W. D. H. Appel, Ph.D., P. H. Hoover, C. H. Mutschler.

Philadelphia Classis—Revs. C. J. Mosser, D.D., D. W. Dittmar.

Lebanon Classis—Rev. Thos. M. Yundt.

West Susquehanna Classis—Rev. J. W. Albertson.

Lehigh Classis—Revs. J. W. Knappenberger, Thos. N. Reber, Geo. W. Richards, D.D., A. R. Bartholomew, D.D.

Schuylkill Classis—Rev. J. G. Kerschner.

Reading Classis—Revs. R. W. Miller, D.D., Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Rev. James G. Dengler.

East Susquehanna Classis—Rev. C. B. Schneder.

Carlisle Classis, Synod of Potomac—Rev. Miles O. Noll.

Maryland Classis, Synod of Potomac—Revs. Jno. M. Schick, D.D., S. S. Miller.

Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod—Rev. S. S. Snyder.

FROM OTHER CHURCHES.

Lutheran Church—Rev. Walter Miller, Grace Lutheran church.

M. E. Church—Rev. J. H. Bickford.

Presbyterian Church—Rev. R. B. Webster, Westminster church.

Evangelical Church—Rev. A. L. Messinger.

ARTICLE III.

Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach, Spinnertown, Pa., was elected President.

Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Harrisburg, Pa., was elected Corresponding Secretary.

Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D., Reading, Pa., is Stated Clerk.

Rev. D. W. Glass, Lancaster, Pa., was elected Reading Clerk.

Elder Samuel M. Gingrich, Swatara Station, Pa., was elected Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The reading of the Rules of Order, adopted by the General Synod in 1887 at Akron, O., was dispensed with.

The bar of the House was defined to extend to the 12th row of pews from the chancel.

The business sessions were opened at 9 A. M. and closed at 4.30 P. M., with a recess from 11.30 A. M. to 2 P. M.

ARTICLE V.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees, to wit:

1. *Religious Services*—Revs. W. D. Happel, Ph.D., J. W. Bell, P. H. Hoover; Elders Daniel Klinger, Daniel Lerch.

2. *Minutes of Eastern Synod*—Revs. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D., C. B. Weaver, E. W. Lentz; Elders Preston T. Lerch, Elias Boyer.

3. *Minutes of General Synod*—Revs. D. W. Ebbert, D.D., J. A. Reber, M. H. Brensinger; Elders Samuel Shumaker, A. D. Simpson.

4. *Overtures*—Revs. T. O. Stem, J. Lewis Fluck, D. E. Schaeffer; Elders Charles Freed, Hiram C. Hoover.

5. *Minutes of Classes*—Revs. C. S. Wieand, W. A. Haas, J. G. Rupp; Elders Cyrus Zellner, John Hoy.

6. *Examination Licensure and Ordination*—Revs. J. H. Dubbs, D.D., Jos. H. Hendricks, D.D., S. P. Brown; Elders J. M. Grimley, J. G. Moyer.

7. *State of the Church*—Revs. H. T. Spangler, D.D., J. V. George, Ph.D., E. E. Leinbach; Elders John Geissinger, R. H. Kram.

8. *F. and M. College and Theological Seminary*—Revs. A. M. Schmidt, W. D. Donat, T. W. Dickert; Elders William Reigle, D. M. Hoch.

9. *Missions*—Revs. J. Rauch Stein, Z. A. Yearick, E. F. Wiest; Elders E. M. Hartman, S. W. Kerr.

10. *Finance*—Rev. James R. Brown, D. Scheirer, Tilghman Derr; Elders P. Williard, John M. Shade.

11. *Nominations*—Revs. A. B. Koplín, D.D., M. H. Sangree, James N. Bachman; Elders Henry Bobb, M.D., Geo. N. Bair.

12. *Publication*—Revs. H. H. Ranck, Scott R. Wagner, A. O. Bartholomew; Elders A. Lukenbach, Samuel Klopp.

13. *Orphan Home and Other Benevolent Institutions*—Revs. J. B. Henry, D. G. Glass, H. I. Crow; Elders Cornelius Loose, John S. Yeager.

14. *Sunday-schools*—Revs. V. W. Dippell, Ph.D., A. S. Bromer, C. E. Bartholomew; Elders H. M. Housekeeper, Wm. Moyer.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The minutes of the following Classes, East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination,

with the exception of the Reports on the State of the Church and the statistical tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Report of the Treasurer were read. The vacancy occurring in Board of Trustees was referred to Standing Committee on Nominations. Several items in Report of Trustees of Synod were referred to a special committee, and the Treasurer's Report to Committee on Finance.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, the General Synod's Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions were received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

4. The Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Education of the Theological Seminary, also the Report of Franklin and Marshall College were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on College and Seminary.

5. The Annual Report of the Board of Publication of Reformed Church was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Report of General Synod's Sunday-school Board was received and referred to Committee on Sunday-schools.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were severally opened and closed with religious service.

The Report of Standing Committee on Religious Service was presented at intervals, and finally adopted as a whole.

The Report is as follows, namely:

Report of the Committee on Religious Services.

To the Eastern Synod:

The Committee on Religious Services begs leave to make the following report:

Wednesday evening, October 22, 8 o'clock.—The services

were in charge of Rev. S. R. Wagner and Rev. Jas. R. Brown. The opening sermon was preached by the retiring President, Rev. John S. Stahr, Ph.D., D.D. This was followed by the celebration of the synodical communion.

Thursday, October 23, 8 P. M.—The services were in charge of Rev. T. W. Dickert and Rev. E. M. Beck. Addresses were delivered by Rev. C. J. Musser, D.D., on "*The Reformed Church Messenger*," and by Rev. John M. Schick, D.D., on "The Position of the Reformed Church Among the Denominations of Protestantism." Rev. A. M. Schmidt, presiding.

Friday, October 24, 8 P. M.—The services were in charge of Rev. T. Derr and Rev. E. F. Wiest. Addresses were delivered by Rev. Thos. M. Yundt on "Bethany Orphans' Home," and by Rev. M. H. Sangree on "The Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows." Rev. C. S. Wieand, presiding.

Saturday, October 25, 8 P. M.—The services were in charge of Rev. D. Scheirer and Rev. E. E. Leinbach. Addresses were delivered by Rev. J. H. Dubbs, D.D., LL.D., on "The Reformed Church in Relation to the Higher Education of Young Men," and by Rev. J. W. Knappenberger on "The Higher Education of Young Women." Rev. Z. A. Yearick, presiding.

Sunday, October 26, 10.30 A. M.—The services were in charge of Rev. H. I. Crow and Rev. J. W. Bell. Addresses were delivered on "Home Missions" by Revs. J. H. Sechler, D.D., and G. W. Richards, D.D. Rev. T. H. Leinbach, presiding.

At 2.30.—"Sunday-school and Young People's Work" was discussed. Rev. J. L. Fluck, Ph.D., spoke on "The Sunday-school Scholar"; Rev. V. W. Dippell, Ph.D., on "The Sunday-school Teacher"; Rev. J. R. Stein on "The Congregation in Relation to the Sunday-school"; and Rev. A. S. Bromer on "Young People's Work." Elder E. M. Hartman, presiding.

7.30 P. M.—The services were in charge of Rev. W. D. Donat and Rev. J. A. Reber. Addresses were delivered by Rev. S. S. Snyder and Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D., on "Foreign Missions." Rev. J. H. Hendricks, D.D., presiding.

Services in Other Churches.

First Presbyterian.—10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M., Rev. J. W. Meminger, D.D.

First M. E.—10.30 A. M., Rev. H. H. Ranck; 7.30 P. M., Rev. J. H. Sechler, D.D.

Central M. E.—10.30 A. M., Rev. D. W. Ebbert, D.D.; 7.30 P. M., Rev. V. W. Dippell, Ph.D.

First Baptist.—10.30 A. M., Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D.; 7.30 P. M., Rev. J. R. Brown.

Westminster Presbyterian.—10.30 A. M., Rev. A. M. Schmidt; 7.30 P. M., Rev. T. W. Dickert.

Douglass Mission.—7.30 P. M., Rev. M. H. Sangree.

Puritan Congregational.—10.30 A. M., Rev. T. Derr; 7.30 P. M., Rev. Z. A. Yearick.

Grace Lutheran.—10.30 A. M., Rev. E. W. Lentz; 7.30 P. M., Rev. P. H. Hoover.

Grant Street Presbyterian.—10.30 A. M., Rev. R. C. Weaver; 7.30 P. M., Rev. J. Rauch Stein.

Derr Memorial M. E.—10.30 A. M., Rev. A. M. Stubblebine; 7.30 P. M., Rev. S. R. Wagner.

First United Evangelical.—10.30 A. M., Rev. T. O. Stem; 7.30 P. M., Rev. J. G. Rupp.

Parrish Street M. E.—10.30 A. M., Rev. J. B. Henry.

Grove Street Evangelical.—7.30 P. M., Rev. H. I. Crow.

St. Luke's Reformed.—10.30 A. M., Rev. S. P. Brown; 7.30 P. M., Rev. D. N. Dittmar.

First Reformed (Plymouth).—10.30 A. M., Rev. A. B. Koplin, D.D.; 7.30 P. M., Rev. D. Scheirer.

Zion's Reformed (Nanticoke).—10.30 A. M., Rev. A. Zimmerman; 7.30 P. M., Rev. D. W. Ebbert, D.D.

Emmanuel's Reformed (Hazleton).—10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M., Rev. E. M. Beck.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. HAPPEL,
JOS. W. BELL,
P. H. HOOVER.

ARTICLE VIII.

A—MINUTES OF EASTERN SYNOD.

The printed copy of the Minutes of Eastern Synod for the year 1901 was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod to present the items requiring the attention of Synod.

The Report was presented at the session on Thursday morning, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole.

The Report is as follows, to wit:

Report on Minutes of Eastern Synod.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

Your Committee appointed on Minutes of Synod find the following items in last year's acts and proceedings claiming attention:

Item 1, p. 57. A special committee was appointed to report a plan by which to secure the necessary funds to meet the increased contingent expenses of Franklin and Marshall College. Rev. Dr. C. S. Gerhard, Chairman.

Item 2, p. 57. A committee was appointed for a similar purpose to meet the increased contingent expenses of the Theological Seminary. Rev. Chas. B. Schneder, Chairman.

Item 3, p. 81. Each Classis was requested, through Stated Clerk, to hold a special meeting within a month after Synod's adjournment, to carry out Synod's instructions in regards to raising funds for the erection of Memorial Reformed Church, Washington, D. C.

Item 4, p. 82. The term of Elder Jno. J. Nissley as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod expires January 1, 1903.

Item 5, p. 88. A special committee was appointed to carry out such measures as will result in the financial relief of Allentown College for Women. Rev. Thos. W. Dickert, Chairman.

Item 6, p. 91. The request made to the Classes two years ago, to consider the advisability of holding special meetings in the fall of the year, shortly after Synod's adjournment, was reiterated.

Item 7, p. 96, p. 112. The term of Elder C. C. Leader

forward the Missionary work according to such plans as they may direct.

Item 8, p. 92. General Synod apportioned \$4,500 annually upon the English Synods for German-English work, to be paid into Treasury of General Synod Board, with instructions to the Treasurer in distributing said apportionment.

Item 9, p. 134. General Synod directs attention to the record of legacies and donations on page 33 of the Eighth Triennial Report of the Boards, and refers such acts of benevolence to the attention of the Church for commendation and imitation.

Item 10, p. 136. General Synod apportions \$45,000 annually for the work of Foreign Missions in China and Japan, and above the amount contributed by the Woman's Missionary Society for the support of the Girls' School.

Item 11, p. 154. That a summary of the statistics of Young People's Societies be printed in the report of the District Synods.

Item 12, page 190. (a) The appeals of Rev. L. D. Steckel against the action of the Eastern Synod were not sustained. (b) The appeal of Rev. Samuel F. Hartzel against the action of Synod in sustaining the action of East Susquehanna Classis, was not sustained.

Item 13, p. 197. General Synod urgently enjoins the pastors, consistories and congregations, as also the different societies connected with our churches, to abstain from the custom of raising funds in a manner unbecoming the sanctity of the Christian Church.

Item 14, p. 207. General Synod apportions to this Synod as follows:

Contingent Fund, \$1,230, for three years.

Home Missions, \$32,370.

Foreign Missions, \$18,450.

Hungarian and Bohemian Missions, \$3,690.

Work Among the Germans, \$2,426.

Harbor Missions, \$492.

Six cents per member for Church Extension.

Item 15, p. 224. General Synod enjoins upon the clergy and consistories to do all in their power, both by precept and example, to quicken the conscience of the Church with refer-

ence to the growing restriction and ultimate suppression of the iniquitous traffic in intoxicants.

Item 16, p. 228. General Synod will hold its next Triennial Sessions, May 16, A. D. 1905, at 8 P. M., in Zion Reformed church, Allentown, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. EBBERT,

J. ALVIN REBER, SAMUEL SHUMAKER,
M. H. BRENSINGER, A. D. SIMPSON.

In the disposal of the several items contained in the foregoing report in addition to their adoption the following action was taken:

The 13th item was referred to a Special Committee consisting of Revs. Dr. Jno. H. Sechler, Jas. R. Brown and Elder Kurtzenknabe, who subsequently presented a report, which was laid on the table. The contents of the 14th item were referred to the Standing Committee on Finance for apportionment. In the adoption of the 6th item, the supplemental report of the Board of Missions was ordered to be published in connection with the item.

Supplemental Report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the English Synods:

The General Synod last May directed that the second Sunday of November in every year shall be set apart and known throughout the Church as Home Missionary Day in our Sunday-schools, when special missionary services shall be held and special offerings be given for Home Missions.

The Sunday-school Board and the Board of Home Missions have prepared and published a suitable Order of Service to be used on that day by our schools and congregations; and these Orders of Service have been sent to pastors and superintendents with special envelopes, in the hope that both may be used to advantage, not merely that money may be raised for Home Missions, but especially also that our children may be taught and trained in the knowledge and love of church work.

It is a matter for congratulation that during the year past the debt of the Board has been very largely reduced, being now

y about \$20,000, owing a number of charges that pay their appointments. The additional fact that many charges pay far more in proportionment.

One of the most promising helps toward the cash basis which the Board of Home Missions is trying to reach is the introduction and establishment of a Home Missionary Day in our Sunday-schools, in accordance with the wise action of the late General Synod.

We therefore ask the reverend Synods heartily to endorse this new departure and to urge its adoption throughout all their Classes.

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

October 6th, 1902.

In connection with the adoption of the foregoing Report, the following resolution was adopted:

Inasmuch as in the judgment of this Synod, the action of General Synod in referring its recommendation with regard to Missions almost exclusively to the Classes, precludes the possibility of this Synod taking such action on these various recommendations as this Synod would desire; therefore,

Be it resolved, That this Synod instruct its Committee on Missions to gather up in substance the action of General Synod in reference to the all-important subject of Missions, and incorporate these recommendations in their Report to this Synod for its consideration and action.

ARTICLE IX. OVERTURES.

The Standing Committee on Overtures presented its Report on Friday during the afternoon session, which was disposed of at intervals, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole.

The Report is as follows:

To the Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN:—Your Committee on Overtures reports that documents have been referred to it, and they are under consideration, viz:

Item 1. A communication from Pittsburg Synod, reporting the action of said Synod relative to the request of Rev. Alexander Kalassay for financial aid in the publication of *The Hungarian American Sentinel*.

Item 2. A statement from the committee appointed to co-operate with Grace Reformed church, Washington, D. C., in the erection of the Washington Memorial church, setting forth the amount still due on the \$10,000 pledge of this Synod, and asking that action be taken looking to the prompt payment of this balance.

Item 3. A number of copies of a pamphlet compiled by Rev. J. H. C. Roentgen, D.D., and published by the Central Publishing House, Cleveland, O., entitled, "Comparative Statistics of the Reformed Church in the United States, 1891-1900."

Item 4. A communication from the Treasurer of the "Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows," containing a statement of receipts and expenditures for the year ending October 4, 1902.

Item 5. A communication from St. John's Mission, Harrisburg, Pa., asking that certain action be taken in its interest.

Item 6. A communication from Rev. I. Calvin Fisher, pastor of St. Mark's Reformed church, Lebanon, Pa., most cordially inviting this Synod to hold its next annual sessions in said church.

Respectfully submitted,

T. O. STEM,

J. L. FLUCK, H. C. HOOVER,
D. E. SCHAEFFER, CHARLES FREED.

For Synod's action on the several items contained in the foregoing Report, reference is made as follows, to wit:

Item 1, see Art. XIX, on Publication. Item 2, see Art. XV, on Finance. Item 3, the pamphlets were accepted with thanks and distributed among the members of Synod. Item 4, referred to a special committee, see Art. XX, on Benevolent Institutions. Item 5 was adopted with the following action, *Resolved*, That the request of St. John's Reformed church, Harrisburg, Pa., be granted and the mission commended to the

liberality of our churches, and that the attention of the several Classes be directed to this recommendation. Item 6, the invitation was accepted with thanks, see Art. XXI, Miscellaneous.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSES.

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes presented its Report on Friday during afternoon session, which was duly considered item by item, and finally adopted as a whole.

The Report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes begs leave to report that the Minutes of the Synodical Year of the several Classes have been placed in its hands. From these official proceedings the following items are gathered for your further consideration, namely:

Irregularities.

1. *East Pennsylvania Classis* fails to attest its Minutes, to attach the seal of the Classis, and to give a Schedule of Items.
2. *Schuylkill Classis* fails to submit a complete copy of its Minutes.
3. *Reading Classis* fails to certify its Minutes.
4. *Lchigh Classis* erred in adopting the Report of the Committee on Examination, when said Report was irregular in form in relation to the licensure of one of the candidates examined.

Requests.

1. *Lebanon Classis* invites the attention of Synod to the multiplicity of equipment on official Boards in the administration of the Mission work of the Church, p. 40.
2. *Wyoming Classis* overtures the Eastern Synod to permit said Classis to apply Synod's apportionment for Church Building purposes to the Scranton Mission debt, pp. 52 and 53.

Subjects Referred.

The action of the several Classes on the recommendations of Synod were favorable with the following exceptions:

1. *East Pennsylvania, East Susquehanna West Susque-*

Classis of Lebanon (pp. 28, 19), May 19, 1902, Licentiate Paul J. Dundore from the Lebanon Classis (p. 60); dismissed November 23, 1901, Rev. Warren J. Johnson to West Susquehanna Classis, and Rev. J. G. Dengler to East Pennsylvania Classis (p. 10), April 5, 1902, Rev. O. B. Wehr to Classis of Lehigh (p. 13), May 9, 1902, Licentiate Ernest N. Evans to the Classis of Kansas, Synod of the Interior, and Licentiate Edwin T. Rhoades to the Classis of West Susquehanna. Rev. Ambrose C. Geary having died, his name disappears from the roll.

East Susquehanna Classis received July 9, 1901, Rev. G. W. Royer from Philadelphia Classis, Rev. I. M. Bachman, February 27, 1902, from East Pennsylvania Classis, and April 7, 1902, Rev. A. Zimmerman, S.T.D., from Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod; dismissed October 29, 1901, Rev. A. P. Frantz to Gettysburg Classis, Potomac Synod, Rev. C. H. Mutschler, January 14, 1902, to Wyoming Classis, and Rev. J. J. Stauffer, May 7, 1902, to Lancaster Classis, Ohio Synod. Rev. Rudolph Duenger, D.D., having died March 15, 1902, his name disappears from the roll.

West Susquehanna Classis ordained Licentiate David I. Schaeffer, June 15, 1901 (p. 26); received Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt from Allegheny Classis, Pittsburg Synod, December 16, 1901 (p. 11), Rev. Warren J. Johnson from Lancaster Classis, December 16, 1901 (p. 11), Rev. J. W. Albertson from St. Paul's Classis, Pittsburg Synod, March 18, 1902 (p. 14), Licentiate Edwin Tracey Rhoads from Lancaster Classis, May 15, 1902 (p. 22), Licentiate Joseph M. Bean from Tohickon Classis, May 15, 1902 (p. 22), Rev. Aaron Noll from Philadelphia Classis, October 22, 1902, and dismissed Rev. F. Wilson Brown to Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburg Synod.

Tohickon Classis licensed May 13, 1902, Mr. Jos. H. Beam and dismissed him to West Susquehanna Classis; dismissed Revs. W. H. Hoch, March 11, 1902, to Wyoming Classis, and B. Howard Roth to Tiffin Classis, Ohio Synod.

Goshenhoppen Classis licensed May 7, 1902, Jay Newton Kugler; dismissed May 6, 1902, Rev. J. Abner Hunsicker to Kansas Classis, Synod of the Interior, Licentiate Jay Newton Kugler, May 7, 1902, to the Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod, and Licentiate Wm. C. Slough, August 14, 1902, to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod.

Lehigh Classis received November 16, 1901, Rev. William H. Herbert from Schuylkill Classis; received May 13, 1902, Rev. O. B. Wehr from Lancaster Classis; licensed May 14, 1902, James O. Oswald, Charles A. Butz and Prof. A. C. Rothermel, Principal of the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, Pa.; ordained June 1, 1902, Licentiate James O. Oswald, and installed him on the same day as pastor of the Zion's charge; dismissed July 14, 1902, Licentiate C. A. Butz to East Pennsylvania Classis; dissolved September 13, 1902, the pastoral relation between Rev. William A. Reinert and St. Paul's Reformed church of Summit Hill, Pa., and, on the same day, the pastoral relation between Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew and Salem Reformed church of Allentown, Pa.; received October 11, 1902, Rev. E. E. Kresge from East Pennsylvania Classis, and Rev. Calvin P. Wehr from Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod. Rev. Tobias Kessler died December 23, 1901, and his name disappeared from the roll.

Schuylkill Classis dismissed, November 11, 1901, Rev. W. H. Herbert to Lehigh Classis, and Rev. I. F. Wagner, July 25, 1902, to Presbytery of Newton, Synod of New Jersey; received March 29, 1902, Rev. T. C. Strock from Carlisle Classis, Synod of Potomac.

Wyoming Classis dismissed October 14, 1901, Rev. T. P. Bolliger to St. John's Classis, Central Synod; received April 23, 1902, Rev. C. H. Mutschler from East Susquehanna Classis, and Rev. W. H. Hoch from Tohickon Classis, June 2, 1902, Rev. J. K. Adams from Allegheny Classis, Pittsburg Synod (pp. 3, 10 and 12).

Reading Classis ordained June 23, 1901, Licentiate Henry H. Rupp, and October 8, 1901, Licentiate William E. Harr.

Time and Place for Next Annual Meeting.

1. *East Pennsylvania Classis* will meet on third Monday in May, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., at East Mauch Chunk, Pa. Rev. A. C. Bartholomew, President; Rev. J. G. Rupp, Stated Clerk.

2. *Lebanon Classis* will meet May 19, 1903, at 9 A. M., in Bethany Orphan Home, Womelsdorf, Berks county, Pa. Rev. Henry J. Welker, President; Jacob K. Funck, Treasurer; Rev. W. D. Donat, Stated Clerk.

3. *Philadelphia Classis* will meet Tuesday, May 12, 1903.

at 8 P. M., in Trinity Reformed church, Seventh and Oxford streets, Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. S. L. Messinger, Trappe, Pa., President; Rev. Jno. H. Sechler, D.D., Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

4. *Lancaster Classis* will meet Thursday, May 14, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., in the Reformed church, Hummelstown, Pa. Rev. Louis C. Harnish, President; Rev. D. W. Gerhard, Stated Clerk; Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D., Columbia, Pa., Treasurer.

5. *East Susquehanna Classis* will meet May 18, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., in St. Paul Reformed church, Ringtown, Pa. Rev. Samuel H. Isenberg, Ph.D., President; Elder George Hill, Treasurer; Rev. A. Thos. G. Apple, Catawissa, Pa., Stated Clerk.

6. *West Susquehanna Classis* will meet third Wednesday in May, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., in St. John's Reformed church, Boalsburg, Pa. Rev. Harvey I. Crow, President; Rev. Wm. A. Hass, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

7. *Goshenhoppen Classis* will meet May 18, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., in Reformed church, Pennsburg, Pa. Rev. W. E. Lentz, President; Rev. C. S. Wieand, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

8. *Tohickon Classis* will meet May 25, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., in Christ church, Indian Creek, Pa. Rev. A. B. Koplin, D.D., President; Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Treasurer; Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., Stated Clerk.

9. *Lehigh Classis* will meet May 18, 1903, at 8 P. M., in Grace Reformed church, South Allentown, Pa. Rev. N. F. Peters, President; Rev. D. E. Schoedler, D.D., Stated Clerk; Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, Treasurer.

10. *Schuylkill Classis* will meet second Monday in May, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., in St. Paul church, Mahanoy City, Pa. Rev. Zwingli A. Yearick, President; Rev. O. H. Strunk, Treasurer; Rev. W. D. Stover, Stated Clerk.

11. *Wyoming Classis* will meet May 25, 1903, at 7.30 P. M., in St. John's Reformed church, Freeland, Pa. Rev. J. W. Reinecke, President; Rev. A. Houtz, Treasurer; Rev. C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk.

12. *Reading Classis* will meet Monday, April 27, 1903, at 7.45 P. M., in Calvary Reformed church, Reading, Pa. Rev.

Jas. I. Good, D.D., President; Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.,
Stated Clerk; Rev. Jno. W. Steinmetz, D.D., Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. WIEAND,
W. A. HAAS, C. ZELLNER,
J. G. RUPP, JOHN HOY, JR.

The action of Synod in the items contained in the foregoing report is as follows:

Irregularities.—Items 1, 2, 3 and 4 under the head of Irregularities, were severally adopted.

Requests.—The items under the head of Requests were disposed of with the following action:

In regard to the first item, Synod calls the attention of Lebanon Classis to the fact that General Synod has directed attention to this matter.

As to the second item, Synod grants the request of Wyoming Classis to apply the apportionment raised within its bounds for Church Building purposes for the cancellation of the debt on the Scranton Mission.

Subjects Referred.—The several items under the head of Subjects Referred were severally adopted with the following action:

Inasmuch as several of the Classes have failed to assume the entire apportionment sent down to them; therefore,

Resolved, That Synod requests that all apportionments for the benevolent work of the Church be accepted as a whole by the Classes and the people be given an opportunity to meet them.

Resolved, further, That Synod regrets that Schuylkill Classis failed to receive credit for congregations that had paid apportionments in full, and hereby instructs the Stated Clerks to report in their special schedule of items from the Classical Minutes all such items that require the attention of Synod.

The item referring to charges having paid apportionment, to licensure, ordination, etc., and those referring to the time and place of the Annual Classical Meetings were severally adopted.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination and Licensure presented its Report, which was adopted.

Your Committee on Licensure and Ordination beg to report that no papers have come into its hands, and there has been no application for Licensure.

Respectfully submitted,

Jos. H. DUBBS, S. P. BR

Jos. H. HENDRICKS, J. M. GR

ARTICLE XII.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The Report on the State of the Church was presented Monday during the morning session and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN.—The Reports on the State of the Church furnished by the twelve Classes of the Synod bear on their faces unmistakable evidence of the intellectual activity and general prosperity of the churches within our bounds.

There has been an increase in membership of two thousand and eighty; in Sunday-scholars, two thousand eight hundred; benevolent contributions, \$4,000; for congregational purposes, \$36,800. There has been intensive growth in congregations. A number of new church edifices have been erected, while others have been renovated and improved. Church debts have been reduced and paid off. Even in the older and more settled portion of the Church, new contributions have been organized and missionary and young people's societies have been introduced into churches. Several day-schools have been graded. Specialization in Foreign Missionary work has taken root, at least one Classis supporting missionary, and one congregation doing likewise.

Meanwhile the time-honored methods of work and the stated means of grace have not been neglected. Infan

tism, confirmation and the holy communion hold our people in the fellowship of the Church. Catechization and family visitation carry our pastors into their hearts and homes. Thus the preaching of the pulpit is reinforced by the life and work of the minister, giving the continuity and stability to church life and work characteristic of the Reformation Churches.

One Report speaks of the "extensive and varied forms of the activity" of the ministers on its roll, "representing missionary work in the home and foreign field as well as educational, literary and other interests of the Church," indicating the variety, extent and multiform character of the life and work of the Church of the present day. The development of society and the progress of civilization are carrying along the Church as an institution in the world, and we cannot discern aught but good in the condition of the Church when we look at its situation from this point of view.

But in the midst of this high tide of prosperity, certain facts cause us to pause and to consider. An increase of two thousand in the membership of the Eastern Synod yields an average of only four to a congregation, the average membership of which is two hundred. Ought it take a year's preaching and two hundred members to gain four? Again, in 1899 there were 98 students for the ministry in the Eastern Synod; in 1900, 83; in 1901, 77; in 1902, 73; a steady decline. Why this descent? Population is increasing, the stress of life is intensifying, and the conflicting forces of society are moving into closer grip, while the number of light-bearers is on the wane.

Is it possible that the advancing life of the race is absorbing our Christianity and that the apparent prosperity of the Church is but a by-product of social development? Are we losing our Christianity in sociology and our Christ in the Church, so that we no longer preach Him as a passionate conviction nor our people know Him as a personal presence? The real cause for the decline in the number of candidates for the ministry must be found in the Church herself and the loss of vivifying power in preaching in the creed and attitude of the pulpit.

During the year, four ministers of the Church holding *membership* in the Classes of this Synod entered into rest.

Six others are disabled by age or serious illness. The membership of the Synod appears strikingly changed because of the absence of some of this number. But the Lord will care for His own in life and in death, in health and in sickness. Only let us be steadfast and unmovable, ever abounding in the work of the Lord.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY T. SPANGLER, E. H. LEINBACH,
J. V. GEORGE, R. E. KRAMM,

Ministerial Necrology.

The following brief record of the life and service of four brethren who closed their ministry during the Synodical Year, prepared as a tribute to their memory by the Stated Clerk, is by instructions of Synod incorporated in its Minutes:

REV. AMBROSE CARL GEARY.

Died December 7, 1901.

Ambrose Carl Geary was born near Blue Bell, Pa., February 1, 1844. He was baptized by Rev. Dr. Daniel Weiser, and on April 17, 1859, by him also confirmed.

After spending several years of his boyhood in school, he learned the occupation of a miller. In 1862 he was admitted as a Freshman into Franklin and Marshall College, and was graduated in 1867, and in the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., in 1870. He was licensed May 21, 1870, by Virginia Classis, and ordained March 21, 1870, by Westmoreland Classis to take charge of the mission at Dale City, Somerset county, Pa., where he labored for a short time. He became pastor of St. Clairsville charge, January 1, 1872. In September, 1874, he removed to Martinsburg, Pa.; in November, 1876, to Keedysville. In 1887 he accepted a call to Fairfield, and in 1892 he removed to Charlesville, Pa., where he served the church several years. In the latter part of his life he lived retired at Fisherville, Pa., where he ended his earthly labors.

He was married, June 22, 1871, to Miss Lizzie H. Huytt, who survives him.

REV. TOBIAS KESSLER.

Died December 23, 1901.

Tobias Kessler, the son of John Kessler and wife, Bruga was born, September 12, 1841, at Sehiers, Canton Graubünder Switzerland. In early life he lived with his parents at Reading Pa. His literary training was received in Allentown Seminar under the instructions of Revs. Dr. W. R. Hofford and C. Kessler. He served a certain period as teacher in the public schools of Allentown. Subsequently he filled the position of a clerk in one of the national banks of that city. Taking an active part in politics, he was elected by the city as alderman and county surveyor. At the expiration of his term of office, he devoted his attention to the study of theology under the instruction of several Reformed clergymen residing in the city. He was licensed in 1880 by Lehigh Classis, and ordained in 1881 by Lebanon Classis as pastor of the Leesport charge, consisting of three congregations. In 1883 he became pastor of the Swatara charge, consisting of three congregations. In 1889, on account of failing health, he resigned his charge and returned to Allentown, where he was employed as bookkeeper in the firm of Johnston & Swartz. Rev. Kessler was married twice. His first wife was Miss Rhoads, with whom he was blessed with one child, who died in infancy. His second wife was Miss Krall, of Lebanon, who survives with four children. Revs. Christian and John M. Kessler, both dead, were brothers of the deceased. On the evening of December 23 he was killed by an accident in a trolley car, and on Friday, December 27, 1901, he was buried in Fairview Cemetery, at the age of 60 years, 3 months and 11 days.

REV. ELIAS D. SHOEMAKER.

Died February 27, 1902.

Elias D. Shoemaker was the son of Henry P. and Charlotte Shoemaker, and was born June 29, 1829, in Friend's Cove, Bedford county, Pa. His preparation for the holy ministry was received in the institutions at Lancaster, and in the Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., where he was graduated in 1860. Having received a call from the Kittanning charge, in Armstrong county, Pa., he was duly installed as its pastor. In May, 1864, he accepted a call and became pastor of the Latrobe charge, in Westmoreland county, Pa., and in 1870 he became

pastor of Yellow Creek charge, in Bedford county, Pa. On account of ill health and a throat affliction, he resigned his charge and made his abode in Bedford, where he was engaged in secular business. In 1878 he was elected to the office of Register and Recorder of Bedford county. At the close of his official term he removed, in 1891, to Philadelphia, where he was engaged in the insurance business.

He died at his home in the city on Thursday morning, February 27, bringing his age to 72 years, 5 months, 28 days. His wife,—a sister of Rev. Thos. F. Hoffmeier,—three daughters and a son survive to mourn his departure.

REV. RUDOLPH DUENGER, D.D.

Died March 15, 1902.

Rudolph Duenger was born January 31, 1808, in Stuttgart, Germany. His preparatory and theological training was received in the gymnasium of his native town and at the University of Tuebingen. In 1832 he came to America and visited York, Pa., and afterwards, at the advice of Dr. Lewis Mayer, presented himself with testimonials to the Classis of West Pennsylvania and was made an assistant to Rev. Christian Berenz in Woodcock Valley. In 1834, at the annual meeting of the Synod of the Reformed Church convened in Pittsburgh, he was licensed to preach the Gospel; and on November 12, 1834, he was ordained in St. Peter's church as a missionary for the Classis of Western Pennsylvania. In February, 1836, he became pastor of the Green Brier charge, in Northumberland and Schuylkill counties, consisting of six congregations. In 1853 he began his labors in destitute places in the coal regions. He organized, in 1856, Zion's Reformed church, Ashland, Pa., and served with it the congregations at Tremont and Donaldson. He continued his labors in Ashland for 35 years, when, on account of failing health, he felt constrained to resign his charge. As pastor emeritus he continued his connection with the congregations which he founded, to the end of his life. Rev. Duenger was married twice. Five sons of his first wife, and his second wife survive to lament his departure. He died March 15, 1902, at Ashland, at the age of 94 years, 1 month and 16 days.

ARTICLE XIII.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE AND THEOLOGICAL
SEMINARY, LANCASTER, PA.

I.—Report of the Board of Trustees and the Board of Visitors.

(a) Report of Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Enclosed find the Annual Report of John B. Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

During the past year the Board held two regular meetings. The first meeting was held on May 8th, 1902, when the following officers were elected: President J. W. Appel; Vice-President, John D. Skiles; Treasurer, John B. Roth, and Secretary, Jeremiah S. Hess. The second meeting was held October 9th, 1902.

The following minute on the death of Brother J. Y. Dietz was adopted:

The Board deeply laments the death of our beloved co-worker in the Lord, Brother Jacob Y. Dietz. He was for years an active member of the Board and during his whole life a useful member of the Church, active and earnest in the support of all her benevolent operations. Living, he was ever ready to serve the cause of his Divine Master, and dying, he did not forget that cause in the distribution of his property, remembering among other things the need of the Theological Seminary, whose interests he faithfully served during his active life upon earth.

While bowing in humble submission to Almighty God who has called him from his earthly labors, we cannot but express our sincere sorrow at the loss of so earnest a servant of the Lord and of His Church upon earth. He was endeared to us all by his warm friendship, his genial disposition, his Christian example and earnest devotion to the kingdom of Christ upon earth. His removal from our midst is an earnest call to us all to be more active and earnest and to press forward toward the prize of the high calling in Christ Jesus.

Dr. E. J. Santee, of Philadelphia, was elected to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Brother J. Y. Dietz.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Synods be again requested to appropriate \$1,800 toward the payment of the annual expenses of the Theological Seminary, in the following ratio:

Eastern Synod	\$900 00
Potomac Synod	600 00
Pittsburgh Synod	300 00

Resolved, That the attention of the Synods be respectfully called to the deficit which now amounts to \$6,984.50.

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS, *Secretary*.

(b) Report of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary.

LANCASTER, PA., October 1st, 1901.

John B. Roth, Treasurer in account with the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

1901.

DR.

For interest received of:

Oct. 1.	E. M. Eshelman to Oct. 1, 1901.....	\$ 162 00
Oct. 1.	Benj. S. Shindle to Oct. 1, 1901.....	125 00
Oct. 7.	Keefer Legacy on account.....	125 00
Oct. 7.	Cook Legacy, to October 1, 1901.....	30 00
Oct. 16.	W. H. Rimer on account.....	30 00
Oct. 23.	P. M. Ermantrout to April 1, 1901.....	70 00
Oct. 26.	John F. Bassler on account.....	23 00
Oct. 28.	W. C. Armstrong, Oct. 1, 1901.....	137 50
Nov. 1.	Sunbury, Haz. & W. Bonds, Nov. 1, 1901....	28 00
Nov. 1.	Scranton Tract. Bonds, Nov. 1, 1901.....	30 00
Nov. 1.	Harrisburg and Balt. Bonds, Nov. 1, 1901....	23 00
Nov. 1.	West End Traction Bonds, Nov. 1, 1901.....	2 50
Nov. 6.	Keefer Legacy, to Oct. 1, 1901.....	62 50
Dec. 2.	Lehigh Val. R. R. Bonds, Dec. 1, 1901.....	150 00
Dec. 19.	Penn. R. R. Stock, to Nov. 19, 1901.....	47 25
Dec. 30.	W. U. Hensel, to Jan. 1, 1902.....	93 75
Dec. 30.	Sue R. Wolfersberger, on account.....	45 00
1902.		
Jan. 4.	Wash'g and Lake Erie Bds., Jan. 1, 1902....	150 00
Jan. 11.	Hbg. Bridge Co., to Jan. 1, 1902.....	2 25
Jan. 13.	W. F. Brinker Est.	14 25
Jan. 13.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co., Divid. No. 51.....	20 00
Jan. 21.	Julia and W. P. Withers to Oct. 1, 1901.....	187 50
Feb. 5.	Salem Coal Bonds, to Feb. 1, 1902	25 00
Feb. 25.	Lane & Co., to Mar. 1, 1902.....	16 67
Mar. 4.	Springfield Water Bds., to Mar. 1, 1902.....	37 50
Mar. 4.	Berwyn Water Bonds, Mar. 1, 1902.....	60 00
Mar. 13.	E. H. Perry, Mtg., to Feb. 18, 1902.....	60 00
Mar. 20.	East Susq. Classis, to Mar. 4, 1902.....	15 00
Mar. 24.	Loan to date.....	13 27
Mar. 24.	A. A. Fritz, to Apr. 1, 1902.....	58 75
Mar. 25.	W. S. Martin, Treas., to Apr. 1, 1902.....	60 00
Mar. 26.	Aaron Cunkle, to Apr. 1, 1902.....	20 00
Mar. 27.	Geo. W. Schroyer, to Apr. 1, 1902.....	95 00

For interest received:

Apr. 25.	Wm. Wohlsen, horse	\$ 75 00
Apr. 30.	Schaff Prize Fund, Int paid to May 8, 1902...	94 20
Apr. 30.	Seminary Class '92, Int. paid to May 8, 1902..	23 66
May 1.	Seminary Ad., C. H. Evans & Co.....	5 00
May 1.	Seminary Electric Light bill, April, 1902.....	2 70
May 2.	City Water Taxes, Seminary houses.....	34 20
May 5.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., on account salary....	200 00
May 5.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on account salary.....	200 00
May 5.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D., on account salary....	200 00
May 5.	Prof. C. B. Davis, on account salary.....	75 00
May 19.	Prof. C. B. Davis, salary to July 1, 1902.....	75 00
May 23.	James Smithgall, on account salary.....	25 00
May 31.	Seminary Ad. in Oriflamme, 1902.....	10 00
June 2.	Seminary Electric Light bill, May, 1902.....	2 90
June 2.	Seminary Ad. in Minutes of Gen'l Synod, 1902	15 00
June 3.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary, July 1, 1902.....	175 00
June 3.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary, July 1, 1902.....	175 00
June 3.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D., salary, July 1, 1902..	175 00
June 16.	John B. Roth, Treas., salary, July 1, 1902.....	125 00
June 18.	Galbraith, J. G., bill.....	13 50
July 11.	Brown and Smithgall.....	8 45
July 11.	P. O. Box to July 1.....	1 00
July 14.	Seminary Electric Light bill, June.....	1 10
July 14.	Water meter bill.....	2 55
July 17.	Penn. Telephone Co., to Oct. 1, 1902.....	9 00
July 30.	Lanc. Paint and Oil Co. bill.....	8 00
Aug. 1.	James Smithgall, on account salary.....	100 00
Aug. 1.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1902....	375 00
Aug. 1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1902.....	375 00
Aug. 1.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1902.	375 00
Aug. 3.	Seminary Electric Light bill, July.....	1 00
Aug. 26.	Lanc. Sheet Metal Co.....	11 74
Aug. 28.	Lanc. Sheet Metal Co.....	11 09
Sept. 5.	Nalty Bros., bill	2 30
Sept. 5.	Seminary Electric Light bill, August.....	1 00
Sept. 5.	Herr and Snavley bill	6 30
Sept. 5.	Treasurer salary to Oct. 1, 1902.....	125 00
Sept. 5.	Lanc. Trust Co., security Treas. Bond.....	50 00
Sept. 5.	W. U. Hensel, Att'y, professional services....	50 00
Sept. 5.	Henry Wirt Alcove Fund, Int. to Oct. 1, 1902..	45 00
Sept. 5.	Lewis Schriver Fund, Int. to Oct. 1, 1902.....	45 00
Sept. 5.	Jacob Forney Alcove Fund, Int. to Oct. 1, 1902	45 00
Sept. 5.	Seminary Library Fund, Int. to Oct. 1, 1902..	52 80
Sept. 8.	Henry Smalts Fund, Int. to Oct. 1, 1902.....	250 00
Sept. 8.	Klopp Legacy Fund, Int. to Oct. 1, 1902.....	40 00
Sept. 8.	James Smithgall, salary to Oct. 1, 1902.....	85 00
Sept. 15.	Seminary Ad. in Messenger, by order Semi- nary Board	90 00
Sept. 15.	L. B. Herr's bill	40
Sept. 17.	D. B. Landis, printing bill.....	4 75
Sept. 17.	J. C. Bowman, D.D., bill repairs at house.....	40 20
Sept. 17.	B. B. Martin Co.'s bill.....	2 27

\$14,337 91

1902

Oct. 1. Amount Dr. brought forward..... 7,353 41

Oct. 1. Amount due Endowment Fund is.....\$ 6,984 50

LIBRARY FUND.

1902.		Dr.		
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund			\$1,819 96
1901.				
Oct. 1.	Amount balance due Fund.....	\$	81 25	
	Interest on Bond.....		15 00	
Oct. 23.	Bill paid in error.....		5 35	
1902.				
Apr. 2.	Interest on Bond.....		15 00	
Sept. 8.	Interest to Oct. 1, 1902.....		52 80	
				<u>\$169 40</u>
1901.		Cr.		
Oct. 30.	Bills paid to Prof. Richards.....		\$18 35	
Oct. 5.	Reformed Church Pub. Board bill.....		3 02	
Dec. 19.	W. Z. Roy, bill.....		17 00	
1902.				
Jan. 14.	J. C. Bowman, D.D.....		16 07	
Jan. 24.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D.....		11 74	
Apr. 4.	Samuel Anxer		4 45	
Apr. 30.	W. Z. Roy		8 20	
Apr. 30.	Gustav Fock		5 00	
May 2.	E. V. Gerhart.....		3 36	
May 9.	Reformed Church Pub. Board.....		1 93	
Aug. 26.	J. C. Bowman, D.D.....		23 94	
				<u>113 06</u>
	Balance due Oct. 1, 1902, Library Fund Theo. Sem.			\$56 34

SMALTZ FUND ACCOUNT FOR BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

1901.		Dr.		
Oct. 1.	To amount of Fund.....			\$5,000 00
	To Interest on Fund from Oct. 1, 1901, to Oct. 1, 1902.....		\$250 00	
1902.		Cr.		
Sept. 8.	By interest paid John Hertzler, Treas. Bene- ficiary Board to Oct. 1, 1902.....		\$250 00	

WILLIAM A. WILT FUND.

1902.				
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund.....			\$833 33
	Interest to date.....		\$41 66	
	Which amount is included in the current expense account of the Theological Seminary.			

SCHAFF PRIZE FUND IN CHURCH HISTORY.

1902.				
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund.....			\$2,000 75
1902.		Dr.		
Apr. 25.	Interest on account note.....		\$23 34	
Apr. 30.	Interest on Fund May 8, 1902.....		94 20	
				<u>\$117 54</u>
1901.		Cr.		
May 8.	Balance due Treasurer.....		13	
1902.				
	Prize paid per Award Committee.....		100 00	
	Sundry expenses		50	
				<u>100 63</u>
	Balance due Fund May 8, 1902.			<u>\$16 91</u>

PRIZE FUND, SEMINARY CLASS 1892.

1902.			
May 8.	Amount of Fund.....		\$478 34
1902.		Dr.	
Mch. 11.	Amount by Treasurer.....	5 00	
	Interest on Fund, May 8, 1902.....	23 66	
		<u>28 66</u>	
1902.		Cr.	
May 8.	Balance due Treasurer.....	\$1 34	
	Prize paid per Award Committee..	20 00	
	Purse and express charges paid..	1 00	
		<u>22 34</u>	
	Balance due Fund May 8, 1902.....	\$6 32	
	Carried to principal of Fund May 8, 1902.....		6 32
			<u>12 64</u>
	Total of Fund May 8, 1902.....		\$479 98

JOHN L. RIEGEL FUND.

1902.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$15,680 00	
	All interest on this Fund is accounted for in the Treasurer's account of current expenses of the Theological Seminary, to Oct. 1, 1902.		

JACOB FORNEY LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1902.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund.....	\$1,000 00	
1901.		Dr.	
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund.....	\$68 20	
1902.			
Sept. 8.	Interest to Oct. 1, 1902.....	\$45 00	
		<u>113 20</u>	
1901.		Cr.	
Oct. 12.	Crystal bill paid	\$6 75	
1902.			
Jan. 11.	Samuel Auxer	37 93	
Aug. 20.	J. C. Bowman, D.D., sundry bills.....	22 00	
		<u>66 68</u>	
	Balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1902.....		\$46 52

ANDREW KEISER AND CATHARINE W. SCHRIVER LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

	Amount of Fund	\$1,000 00	
		Dr.	
	Balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1901.....	\$46 67	
1902.			
Sept. 8.	Interest to Oct. 1, 1902.....	45 00	
1901.			
Dec. 3.	Check of L. C. Schriver.....	25 00	
		<u>116 67</u>	
1902.		Cr.	
Jan. 14.	Bills paid J. C. Bowman, D.D.....	\$10 34	
Aug. 26.	Bills paid J. C. Bowman, D.D.....	11 53	
		<u>21 87</u>	
	Balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1902.....		\$94 78

HENRY WIRT LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1901. Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund.....	\$1,000 00
1901. Oct.	1.	Dr. Balance due Fund.....	\$47 22
1902. Sept.	8.	For interest to Oct. 1, 1902.....	45 00
			<hr/> \$92 22
1902. Jan.	14.	Cr. Bills paid to J. C. Bowman, D.D.....	\$15 59
1902. Apr.	25.	Bills paid to Steiger & Co.....	6 71
1902. Aug.	26.	Bills paid to J. C. Bowman, D.D.....	27 28
			<hr/> 49 58
		Balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1902.....	<hr/> \$42 64

SEMINARY CLASS '94 LIBRARY ALCOVE.

1894. July	1.	Amount of notes placed in hands of Treasurer for collection	\$981 00
1902. Oct.	1.	Dr. Amt. cash received to date for notes paid Unpaid notes in Treasurer's hands.....	\$458 00 523 00
			<hr/> 981 00
1902. Oct.	1.	Interest in hands of Treasurer as credit on Fund.	\$63 66

LECTURE FUND, THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

No endowment.

1901. Oct.	1.	Dr. Balance in hands of Treasurer.....	\$38 56
1902. Oct.	1.	Cr. By orders paid to date.....	27 00
		Balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1902.....	<hr/> \$11 56

PITTSBURGH PROFESSORSHIP FUND.

1901. Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund as reported to date.....	\$30,479 64
1901. Dec.	17.	Increase in principal of Fund from W. R. Barnhart	20 36
		Amount of Fund Oct. 1, 1902.....	<hr/> \$30,500 00
1902. Oct.	1.	Dr. Interest received on Fund to date.....	\$1,838 00
1902. Oct.	1.	Cr. Int. paid Wm. Rupp, D.D., per vouchers	1,838 00

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AID FUND.

1901. Oct.	11.	Amount received Potomac Synod, Geo. N. Forney, Treasurer	\$ 243 08
1902. Feb.	7.	Received Eastern Syond, J. J. Nissley, Treas....	54 76
1902. Feb.	10.	" Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas....	61 36
1902. Apr.	15.	" Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas....	35 00
1902. Apr.	30.	" Pittsburgh Synod, D. H. Leader, Treas..	425 00
1902. May	7.	" Zion's Classis, Rev. A. Spangler, Treas..	28 20
1902. May	10.	" Grace Reformed Church, York, Pa.....	5 51
1902. May	19.	" Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas....	388 68
1902. May	24.	" N. Carolina Classis, M. J. Rowe, Treas..	25 00

July 16.	Received Potomac Synod, Geo. N. Forney, Treas..	\$401 66
Sept. 9.	“ Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas....	226 38
		<hr/> \$1,894 63

1902.	CR.	
Sept. 8.	By interest paid to Endowment Fund account to	
	Oct. 1, 1902	501 86
		<hr/> \$1,392 77

1902.		
Oct. 1.	By balance Seminary Aid Fund charged to Treas- urer and accounted for in his current expense account	1,392 77

STATEMENT OF ALL FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER.
October 1, 1902.

Endowment Fund, general.....	\$95,948 26
Endowment Fund, special, J. Riegel.....	15,680 00
Endowment Fund, special, W. A. Wilt.....	833 33
	<hr/> \$112,461 59
Library Fund	1,819 96
Smaltz Fund	5,000 00
Class '92 Prize Fund.....	479 56
Schaff Prize Fund	2,000 75
Jacob Forney Fund, Seminary Alcove.....	1,000 00
Henry Wirt Fund, Seminary Alcove.....	1,000 00
Andrew Keiser and Catherine W. Schriver Alcove.....	1,000 00
Seminary Class '94, Seminary Alcove.....	981 00
Endowment Fund, Pittsburgh Synod.....	30,500 00
	<hr/> \$156,242 86

ENDOWMENT FUND.

1901.		
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund General.....	\$94,977 26
	Amount of Fund, special, J. Riegel..	15,680 00
	Amount of Fund, special, W. A. Wilt..	833 33
1902.		
Jan. 13.	Amount received bequest from the es- tate of W. F. Brinker, of Greens- burg, Pa., \$1,000; less State tax, \$50	950 00
May 9.	Amount received of J. B. Henry, Treas. Philadelphia Classis.....	21 00
		<hr/> \$112,461 59

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. ROTH,

*Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the
United States.*

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Board to examine the several accounts of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary, report that we attended to the duty assigned us and we find them correct.

JOHN D. SKILES,
JOHN W. APPLE,
Committee.

(c) Report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.
*To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United
States:*

BRETHREN: By direction of the Board of Visitors the report of said Board for the year 1901-1902 is hereby laid before you for your consideration.

1. In September, 1901, the Seminary opened the seventy-seventh year of its sessions. The men whose names follow were admitted to the Junior Class. Nine of them are college graduates. Having sustained approved examinations at the close of the Junior year, they were advanced to the Middle Class.

James N. Blatt,
John Barner Bloom,
David B. Clark,
Albert J. Collison,
Frederick A. Cook,
H. Jerome Leinbach,

Geo. Wellington Lutz,
Jesse M. Mengel,
James G. Schaeffer,
Irvin C. Shell,
George W. Spotta.
Total, 11.

2. The members of the Middle Class, composed of those who were admitted to the Junior Class in 1900, together with two additions from Union Theological Seminary, viz: Paul H. Bridenbaugh and Clayton H. Ranck, were advanced, after approved examinations, to the Senior Class. Total 24.

3. Two members were honorably dismissed from the Senior Class: Walter G. Haupt and Harvey P. Walter.

Franklin Pierce Miller was absent by permission during the year engaged in teaching in the Kutztown Normal Institute. Not having relinquished his purpose to pursue his theological studies he continues on the roll of the present Senior Class. Paul L. Gerhard was admitted to this class at the beginning of the session.

The members of this class were granted the usual testimonial and referred to their respective Classes for examination and licensure. They are:

Robert Lee Bair,
Joseph M. Bean,
Paul J. Dundore,
Ernest Newton Evans,
Paul L. Gerhard,
Joseph Elmer Guy,
*Absent by permission.

Franklin Pierce Miller,*
James Oliver Oswald,
Edward Tracy Rhodes,
John Hamilton Smith,
Julius Vernholt.
Total, 11.

4. No case of discipline occurred during the year. The moral conduct and devotion of the students was satisfactory. They manifested commendable activity in Sunday-school, mission and other religious work, and were diligent in study.

5. Prof. Claude B. Davis resigned his position as teacher of elocution, having received and accepted a call to Drake University, Des Moines, Iowa. His services in the institution were highly appreciated by the faculty and students, and we lose by his withdrawal a faithful and successful teacher. Arrange-

It is expected that both of these bequests will be paid over within the year.

Moneys were refunded by former students for the ministry, as follows: Rev. O. P. Steckel, \$25; Rev. Jno. K. Adams, \$100; Prof. Edwin M. Hartman, \$150; Prof. Thaddeus G. Helm, \$60 interest, being payment in full of principal and interest of loan; and Rev. Geo. A. Dreibelbies, \$5; and a contribution of \$30 was made by the Rev. J. C. Bowman, D.D.; a total of \$370.

A copy of the Treasurer's Annual Report for the year beginning May 7, 1901, and ending May 6, 1902, is herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. LICHLITER,

Secretary of the Board of Education.

LANCASTER, PA., October 16, 1902.

Treasurer's Annual Report.

RECEIPTS.

Balance	\$621 30
Interest and dividends on investments.....	629 50
Collections and contributions	370 00

Offerings of churches:

Per Rev. J. B. Henry, Treas. Philadelphia Classis...	\$32 80
Christ church, Philadelphia, Pa.	35 48
St. Paul's church, Fort Washington, Pa.....	23 75
	<hr/> 92 03

Received from Classes:

Classis of Lancaster	\$194 18
Classis of Lehigh	120 00
Classis of Tohickon	175 00
Classis of Wyoming	250 00
Classis of Wyoming	250 00
	<hr/> 739 18

Payment of bond	1,000 00
Settlement of Denning mortgage	25 00

\$3,477 01

DISBURSEMENTS.

To students aided by the Board	\$880 00
To student aided by the Classis of Lancaster.....	125 00
To student aided by the Classis of Lehigh.....	120 00
To student aided by the Classis of Tohickon.....	275 00
To student aided by the Classis of Wyoming.....	250 00
Exchange on bonds	1 00
Release of mortgage	25
Salary of Wm. F. Lichliter.....	50 00
Wm. F. Lichliter, postage, \$3.73; traveling expenses,\$2.64....	6 37
Herbert C. Miller, accountant, salary.....	25 00

The Lancaster Trust Company, postage.....\$ 1 00
 Balance in hand 1,743 39
 \$3,477 01
 May 6, 1902. To balance\$1,743 39

Respectfully submitted,
 JOHN HERZLER, *Treasurer*.

LANCASTER, PA., May 6, 1902.

To the Board of Education:

BRETHREN: Your committee appointed to audit the Treasurer's account, report that we have examined the above named account, found it correct, and have found the securities correct as listed.

Respectfully submitted,
 N. C. SCHAEFFER,
 ELLIS N. KREMER.

LANCASTER, PA., May 6, 1902.

LANCASTER, PA., Oct. 16, 1902. Attest:
 WM. F. LICHLITER, *Secretary*.

(e) Report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

At the late commencement the following degrees were conferred: the degree of A.B. upon

Levi Rufus Bair
 Victor Albertus Barnhart,
 John Frederick Buchheit,
 Stanley Percy Daniels,
 Daniel Longaker Evans,
 Ira Fulmer Frankenfield,
 John Robert Jones,
 Edward Sinn Lamar,
 Albert Victor Lampe,
 Scott Smith Leiby,
 John Borneman Ludy,
 William David Marburger,
 Clayton Dissinger Mell,
 Charles Edward Meyers,
 Howard Kline Miller,
 William Henry Pascoe,
 John Clayton Petre,

Paul Reed,
 Charles Edgar Roth,
 Charles Edgar Rupp,
 Cyrus George Shupe,
 Corle Horne Smith,
 Luther Franklin Stoudt,
 Vere Treichler,
 Chalmers Wilson Walck,
 Ammon Philip Weaver,
 William Robert Weaver,
 Calvin Naftzinger Wenrich,
 John Philip Wentling,
 Thomas Reynolds Williams,
 Arthur Lee Yoder,
 Ralph Ernest Yoder,
 Jacob William Zehring,
 Edwin Allen Zeigler,

and the degree of Ph.B. on Henry Clement Walker. The degree of A.M. in course was conferred upon the Rev. George B. Limbert, '90; Rev. Clement D. Kressley, '94; Rev. Calvin W. Laufer, '97; W. Mason Neff, '98; Frank W. Shulenberger, '98; Henry Kreitzer Benson, '99; Rev. William Piper Cooper, '99; Walter Franklin Martin, '99; Franklin Pierce Miller, '99; Clayton Ira Spessard, '99; Wilson A. Wert, '99. The honorary degree of D.D. was conferred upon the Rev. Cyrus J. Musser and the Rev. Prof. Geo. W. Richards. The degree of LL.D. was conferred upon the Hon. Charles A. Mayer, of Lock Haven, Pa.

The college year of 1901-1902 was on the whole a very satisfactory one. The work of the college was carried forward

amount still required to pay for the building be speedily raised; third, that care be taken in the maintenance, and the most rigid economy be practiced in its management, lest it prove an expensive burden to the college. The cost of the building, up to date, including the heating plant, water meter, clock system, etc., is a little over \$60,500. In addition to this, there has been expended for furniture and fixtures, grading and ditching, making walks and steps, janitor's service, insurance and interest on borrowed money, about \$4,500, and there remain unpaid bills to the extent of \$2,347.60. The amount actually paid and pledged up to the present time is about \$50,000, leaving a balance of about \$17,500 to be provided for.

It will be readily seen, therefore, how important it is that the amounts pledged by the different Synods be speedily raised, in order that the whole indebtedness may be wiped out. In addition to the cost of the building as above stated, the college has been exceedingly fortunate in receiving splendid outfits for the different departments of the building, as follows: the chemical department was equipped by Mr. Milton S. Hershey, of Lancaster City, the outfit costing between \$4,500 and \$5,000; the biological department was furnished with a most complete outfit of charts, microscopes and other forms of apparatus needed for this kind of work, by the family of the late B. Wolff, of Pittsburgh, at an expense of about \$5,000; the geological department was equipped and the president's office furnished by Mr. Charles F. Rengier, of Lancaster City, at the expense of about \$1,000; Dr. John L. Atlee, of the class of '96, equipped the anatomical room, and Mr. Paul Heine the dark room for photographic work. In addition to these gifts, the college received during the year, from the family of the late B. Wolff, Jr., of Pittsburgh, two Coldron vases and a series of photographs representing heads of Christ, etc., taken from the masterpieces in the Louvre, a theodolite presented by Mr. M. T. Garvin, of Lancaster City, and a complete skeleton of the extinct Moa (*Dinornis Giganteus*, of New Zealand) by Mr. J. T. Mays, of Philadelphia. The valuable collection of coleoptera made by the late Prof. S. S. Rathvon, together with Prof. Rathvon's scientific library was purchased for the college by Dr. Henry Bobb, of East Greenville, Pa., as a memorial of his son Eugene H. Bobb, an alumnus of the college. Two bequests were paid dur-

ing the year, amounting to about \$2,200, that of the late Frank Geise, of York, Pa., and of the estate of Nicholas Gruber, of Juniata Classis. By the will of the late J. Y. Dietz, of Philadelphia, the college receives a legacy of \$10,000, which will be a very acceptable addition to the college endowment fund.

Next year we will celebrate the semi-centennial of the founding of Franklin and Marshall College. It is important that this event be suitably celebrated, and that it be made the occasion for a large increase in the endowment fund. Committees have been appointed by the alumni association and the Board of Trustees with the view to the preparation of a suitable program, and it is especially recommended that the different Synods take suitable action to insure the success of this celebration.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR, *President*.

II.—Report of the Standing Committee on Franklin and Marshall College and the Theological Seminary.

The Report on College and Seminary was presented on Monday, the sixth day of the sessions, acted on and disposed of item by item and finally adopted as a whole.

The Report is as follows, namely:

Report of Committee on Franklin and Marshall College and The Eastern Theological Seminary and The Board of Education.

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—The following papers were referred to your committee for consideration:

1. The Report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.
2. A Catalogue of Franklin and Marshall College.
3. The Report of the Board of Visitors of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
4. The Report of the Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
5. The Report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
6. The Report of the Board of Education of the Eastern Synod.

Your committee offers the following items and resolutions:

- (a) *Franklin and Marshall College.*

From the President's Report we learn that the last scholastic year was marked by prosperity and the completion of much important work in the equipment of this institution.

The Science Building has been completed and equipped at a cost of about \$65,000. Of this amount, about \$31,000 remain unpaid, although full \$25,000 are provided for pledges. This leaves a balance of \$6,000 to be raised within the bounds of the Eastern Synod; all of which should be secured as speedily as possible in order that the drain on the income of the College, made by the payment of interest on \$28,000 of borrowed money, cease.

A slight increase in the number of students is noted. A deficit in the current expenses, amounting to \$1,150, is reported, and an increase of the endowment fund is called for.

We offer the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod rejoices with the College in the prosperity which it has enjoyed during the past year and joins in thanksgiving to Almighty God for His favor and blessing granted unto this institution of learning.

2. *Resolved*, That Synod expresses its profound sorrow because of the death of an honored instructor, Dr. Martin Herr, and of a most devoted Trustee, Mr. Jacob Y. Dietz.

3. *Resolved*, That grateful record be made of the splendid gift of \$10,000, made to the Endowment Fund by bequest of the late Jacob Y. Dietz.

4. *Resolved*, That Synod joins with the College in thanking Mr. Milton S. Hershey, of Lancaster, Pa.; the family B. Wolff, Jr., of Pittsburg, Pa.; Dr. Henry Bobb, of Greenville, Pa., and others, for the liberal gifts made by them for the equipment of the Science Building.

5. *Resolved*, That this Synod urgently requests the Classes, pastors and people within its bounds to give their hearty co-operation to the committee already appointed to tend to the financial interests of Franklin and Marshall College, and secure \$6,000 more as this Synod's share of the indebtedness still resting upon the Science Building.

6. *Resolved*, That we as a Synod heartily endorse the proposed semi-centennial celebration of the founding of Franklin and Marshall College, and that the pastors within the bounds of this Synod be earnestly requested to preach a sermon

the 18th day of January, 1903, the Sunday nearest to Reformation Day, setting forth the needs and claims of Franklin and Marshall College.

7. *Resolved*, That a committee of twelve (12) be appointed, consisting of one representative of each Classis, to superintend this commemoration within the bounds of our Synod, and provide suitable literature on the subject for the information of the people.

8. *Resolved*, That said committee shall co-operate with similar committees appointed by the Board of Trustees and Alumni of the College, and by Pittsburg and Potomac Synods, in the furtherance of the jubilee celebration.

9. *Resolved*, That the members of this committee shall take necessary steps to secure a large attendance of Reformed pastors and people from the respective Classes at the jubilee exercises to be held at Lancaster, Pa., in connection with the Annual Commencement in June, 1903.

(b) *Eastern Theological Seminary.*

From the Reports of the Board of Visitors, the Board of Trustees, and the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary we note that the work of the past year has been successful and satisfactory; that forty-six students were enrolled; that the Christian character and moral conduct of the students were entirely commendable; that the vacancy caused by the resignation of Prof. Claude B. Davis as teacher of elocution was filled by the election of Prof. John Quincy Adams, late of State College; that Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., was elected President of the Board of Visitors, in place of Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., who declined re-election; that the "Swander Lectureship" has been fully established and will be in effect during the present year; that the scarcity of students for the Christian ministry is deeply deplored; that Synod is requested to provide the sum of \$375 for the teacher of elocution, and \$900 for current expenses; that the death of Brother Jacob Y. Dietz is lamented; and that the attention of Synod is called to the deficit in meeting Seminary expenses.

We present the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod notes with pleasure the excellent condition of the Seminary and the good work done by it, and that we express our sincere gratitude to God for so abund-

antly blessing the efforts put forth in the training of young men for the Christian ministry.

2. *Resolved*, That inasmuch as the Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., felt constrained to retire as President of the Board of Visitors of the Seminary, we express our hearty appreciation of his noble work in this capacity in the past, and pray God's continual blessing upon him.

3. *Resolved*, That we deplore the scarcity of candidates for the Christian ministry, and that we urge Classes to take such action as will bring this need clearly before the Church, and that they instruct pastors and consistories to seek out and encourage young men of marked talent and piety to consecrate their lives to the service of the Church in the ranks of the Christian ministry.

4. *Resolved*, That the request for \$375 for the teacher of elocution and \$900 for current expenses of the Seminary be granted, and that these amounts be referred to the Finance Committee for apportionment.

5. *Resolved*, That whilst we record with heartfelt sorrow the departure from this life of Brother Jacob Y. Dietz, a member of the Board of Trustees, we also express our high regard for his noble Christian character, benevolent spirit, and our appreciation of the many noble acts that will perpetuate his memory so long as the Church shall stand.

6. *Resolved*, That we are in full accord with the resolutions presented by the special committee looking toward the increased endowment of the Seminary so as to provide for the increased current expenses of the Seminary, and to make it more efficient in prosecuting the important and noble work for which it is being maintained.

(c) *Board of Education.*

From the Report of the Board of Education your committee gleans the following facts, namely:

1. That the Board received two bequests, one of \$4,000 and the other of \$50, the income of which is to be applied to the support of young men for the ministry.

2. That eight students for the ministry received aid from the Board during the past year; that a balance of \$1,743.39 remains in the treasury; and that seven young men

who having the ministry in view received aid during the current year.

In view of this, your committee would suggest the following action:

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod hereby records its high appreciation of these bequests, and commends the noble example of the testators to the membership of the Church.

2. *Resolved*, That the different Classes constituting this Synod be requested to bring the good work of the Board to the attention of the members, and challenge them to a more liberal support of this branch of church work.

Respectfully submitted,

AMBROSE M. SCHMIDT,
W. D. DONAT, WILLIAM REAGLE,
THOMAS W. DICKERT, DANIEL M. HOCH.

The committee called for in the 7th resolution of the foregoing report, consists of the following persons:

Revs. G. A. Schwedes, V. W. Dippell, Ph.D., Thos. L. Bickel, W. Stuart Cremer, I. M. Schaeffer, A. M. Schmidt, J. J. Rothrock, C. S. Wieand, Thos. J. Hacker, S. L. Whitmore, W. D. Happel, Ph.D., H. Y. Stoner.

To increase the number of young men for the Christian ministry.

In noting the decrease of young men preparing themselves for the Christian ministry, the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That a committee of five, consisting of three ministers and two elders, be appointed to suggest an improved method of aiding worthy young men in the preparation for the Christian ministry, and that said committee report a year hence.

The committee appointed by the President consists of Revs. Dr. A. B. Koplin, Scott R. Wagner, Jas. R. Brown, and Elders J. M. Grimley and Dr. H. M. Bobb.

On increasing funds for Franklin and Marshall College.

In response to item 1 in Report on Minutes of Synod, for securing funds for Franklin and Marshall College, the following Report was read and adopted, namely:

In accordance with the second resolution in the foregoing Report, calling for the appointment of a committee to act conjointly with the other committees, the President appointed the following persons, namely: Revs. C. B. Schneder, W. F. More and H. H. Ranck.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

I.—Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

BRETHREN: The present membership and organization of the Board is as follows: Rev. C. A. Santee, President; Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D., Secretary; Elder J. J. Nissley, Treasurer; Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D., Rev. E. R. Deatrick, B.D., Rev. J. F. Moyer, Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Rev. T. J. Hacker, Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, Ph.D., Rev. L. E. Coblentz, Rev. C. B. Heller, Rev. N. H. Skyles, Rev. C. B. Schneder and Elder C. M. Bower. The first six named are the Executive Council. This organization for a term of four years was effected at the annual meeting held April 7, 1902.

During the year the Board held an annual meeting, and the Executive Council held three quarterly meetings. The work committed to us has been managed according to our best judgment. The Board keeps in close touch with all the missions within the bounds of the two Synods, and it is a pleasure to report that as a whole they are in good condition. None became self-supporting during the year, but two new fields were added to the roll, Faith church, Lancaster, Pa., and Lewistown, Pa.; and Bethel Mission, Philadelphia, Pa., was re-enrolled.

Lewistown, as a new field, is especially important, being a county seat, a railroad junction, and on the border of the two Synods, in a section where we had not a congregation between Newport and Huntingdon, but into which of late years our people have been going in large numbers, attracted by the extensive manufacturing interests located there.

We present the Treasurer's report as a part of this report, and call your attention to its details of income, loans made and *repaid and other items of interest.*

In accordance with your recommendation the General Board elected Rev. A. C. Whitmer superintendent of missions for a term of three years from October 1st, 1902.

Over a year ago we discovered that the will of Jacob Bare, of York county, Pa., who died nearly twenty years ago, directs that on the death of a certain life tenant, still living, the executor shall pay three thousand dollars "to the treasurer of the Home Missionary Society of the German Reformed Church"; and the will also makes the said society a residuary legatee. At first we supposed that this Board was the proper body to give attention to this interest; but on full examination the Board at its annual meeting in April last decided that the General Board is the proper legatee, and therefore referred the whole matter to that board, and it accepted the trust.

Through the generosity of Rev. G. L. Staley, D.D., the Board has been made the custodian of a communion service used by him in his school at Mount Washington, Md., in 1858, which service is to be loaned to newly organized missions. Its first use is in the Sunday-school mission in Allegheny, Pa.

We record with pleasure an increased favorable response on the part of the churches to the apportionment for this work. This is seen by comparing the Treasurer's present report with that of last year, in the following statement of amounts received:

	1901.	1902.	INCREASE.
Home Missions	\$26,676	\$34,999	\$8,323
Hungarian Work	2,303	2,819	516
The Harbor Mission	402	480	78
German Work	1,210	1,768	558
Designated moneys	331	350	19
Church Building	2,075	2,924	849

The great importance of the Home Missionary work demands its vigorous prosecution, even for the advancement of other interests. The Church is coming to see this more plainly than ever before, and we hail with joy every evidence of improvement in this direction.

The terms of Rev. C. B. Heller and Rev. N. H. Skyles expire April 1, 1902.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. SANTEE, *President*,
ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary*.

II.—Treasurer's Report.

John J. Nissley, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of
Reformed Church in the United States.

I.

Dr.

FOR HOME MISSIONS.

From the Eastern Synod.

Philadelphia Classis	\$2,205 27	
Tohickon Classis	1,387 74	
Goshenhoppen Classis	1,325 38	
East Pennsylvania Classis	2,545 77	
Lebanon Classis	1,575 38	
Lancaster Classis	1,938 76	
Schuylkill Classis	1,162 75	
East Susquehanna Classis	1,443 53	
West Susquehanna Classis	1,946 88	
Lehigh Classis	2,350 00	
Wyoming Classis	1,424 09	
Reading Classis	3,599 78	
		\$22,905

From the Synod of the Potomac.

Maryland Classis	\$3,436 80	
Mercersburg Classis	1,424 94	
Virginia Classis	425 00	
Zion's Classis	559 69	
Juniata Classis	1,920 04	
Gettysburg Classis	250 00	
North Carolina Classis	618 63	
Carlisle Classis	641 28	
		\$9,274

From Miscellaneous Sources.

Elder E. H. Burkholder and wife.....	\$ 25 00	
Rev. A. C. Whitmer, Supt., amount collected for iron church	905 00	
Infant Dept. Salem church, Harrisburg.....	1 12	
Mr. W. H. Herr, Altoona, Pa.....	50 00	
Rev. Dr. J. W. Santee, Philadelphia.....	20 00	
Christ church, Philadelphia, Pa.....	268 49	
Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.....	5 00	
Hummelstown, Pa., charge	30 00	
Church and Sunday-school, Riegelsville, Pa.....	310 33	
Nevin Boyer Fund	5 00	
Mrs. Zearfoss Fund	10 00	
Packerton, Pa.	50	
Missionary Society, Martinsburg, W. Va.....	30 00	
Mrs. Amanda Wagner, interest on legacy.....	100 00	
N. B. Schmitt, Woodstock, Va.....	2 03	
Emmanuel's Sunday-school, Hanover, Pa.....	8 40	
Elder John A. Deihl, Marion, Pa.....	25 00	
C. E. S., Mt. Alto, Pa., per Anna M. Weistling....	3 00	
Rockingham charge, Va.	21 37	
Mrs. Geo. W. Aughinbaugh.....	100 00	
Woman's Missionary Society, Eastern Synod.....	893 07	
Offering Missionary Convention, Juniata Classis...	3 92	
		2,817
		\$34,998

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board..... \$34,998

FOR HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Eastern Synod.....	\$2,151 40	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, treasurer Maryland Classis.....	256 00	
Rev. Wm. C. Cremer, D.D., treasurer Mercersburg Classis	140 00	
Rev. J. D. Miller, treasurer Carlisle Classis.....	87 18	
Rev. A. Spangler, treasurer Zion's Classis.....	39 60	
Rev. Lewis Robb, treasurer Juniata Classis.....	145 00	
		<u>\$2,819 18</u>

HARBOR MISSIONS.

J. J. Nisley, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	\$ 378 69	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, treasurer Maryland Classis.....	36 00	
Rev. W. C. Cremer, D.D., treasurer Mercersburg Classis	20 00	
Rev. J. D. Miller, treasurer Carlisle Classis.....	11 55	
Rev. A. Spangler, treasurer Zion's Classis.....	7 78	
Rev. Lewis Robb, treasurer Juniata Classis.....	26 00	
		<u>480 02</u>

GERMAN MISSIONS.

J. J. Nissley, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	\$1,427 54	
Rev. C. S. Slagle, treasurer Maryland Classis.....	186 00	
Rev. A. Spangler, treasurer Zion's Classis.....	34 73	
Rev. Lewis Robb, treasurer Juniata Classis.....	120 00	
		<u>1,768 27</u>
		<u>\$5,067 47</u>

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, treasurer.....	<u>\$5,067 47</u>
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II.

DR.

DESIGNATED MONEYS.

Reading Classis, for Rev. F. B. Hahn.....	\$ 25 00	
Reading Classis, for Rev. H. H. Rupp.....	250 00	
North Carolina Classis, for Blowing Rock.....	25 00	
North Carolina Classis, for Lenoir.....	50 00	
		<u>350 00</u>

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Paid as designated	<u>\$350 00</u>
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III.

CHURCH BUILDING.

Reading Classis	\$ 536 00	
Lehigh Classis	250 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	446 51	
Fohickon Classis	234 48	
Lebanon Classis	143 00	
Schuylkill Classis	152 00	
Lancaster Classis	287 36	
Goshenhoppen Classis	162 00	
Wyoming Classis	156 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	76 65	
Philadelphia Classis	183 50	
West Susquehanna Classis	296 84	
		<u>\$2,924 34</u>

Synods, an extended report at their meetings this fall. The report, here offered, is in the nature of a supplemental statement to what is contained in the aforesaid report. Some action has been taken since May last which should be stated, while some suggestions may be offered growing out of the action of the General Synod.

NUMBER OF MISSIONS.—In the triennial report ninety-eight Missions are reported on the roll of the Board. Four of these passed off the roll on April first, leaving ninety-four. Since then three have been added, namely: Faith Mission, Lancaster, Pa.; Lewistown, Pa.; and Waterloo, Indiana, making on October 1st, 1902, ninety-seven Missions. To these must be added our Harbor Mission at the port of New York. This makes ninety-eight missionaries under the Board at the present time. The missions, as to language are as follows: two Bohemian, two German-English, ten Hungarian, and eighty-three English.

CONDITION OF THE MISSIONS.—Six of the Missions are vacant at present, but four of them will have pastors at an early day. The two German-English Missions will be transferred to the German Boards on April 1st, 1903, in accordance with the action of General Synod. It is altogether likely that during the year one mission will be dropped and several will be consolidated with adjacent charges. The Missions are generally in very good condition. Their growth, with a few exceptions, has been steady and the finances of these fields are in good order. Some of them need the fostering care of their Classes more than they now receive. Many of these fields have been improving their church properties; others have erected new church buildings, while a number of them have built parsonages.

THE HUNGARIAN WORK.—We now have ten Hungarian fields. Three of them are without pastors, but by the time this appears before the Synods, three men may have arrived from Hungary to take charge of them. These men were to arrive, in this country in the month of September. A new field will be organized without doubt, embracing South River, New Brunswick, Woodbridge and other points in New Jersey. It is necessary for our Church to awaken to the importance of this field. Certain other Churches, seeing the fruitful character of the work are organizing with material that rightfully belongs to us. All the Hungarian Missions are prosperous, and when

St. John's church, Harrisburg, Pa.....	\$ 150 00	
Expenses repaid in the Baer will matter.....	69 67	
Mrs. Leah Seidel	90 00	
Tioga church, Philadelphia, Pa.....	20 00	
Zion's church, Marietta, Pa.....	25 00	
Christ's church, Packerton, Pa.....	10 00	
St. Paul's church, Roanoke, Va.....	45 00	
Burlington, N. C.	15 00	
St. Mark's church, Baltimore, Md.	88 00	
		<u>\$1,277 09</u>
		<u>\$2,713 97</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Tax on Baltimore mortgages.....	\$ 28 83	
Tax on lot at Astoria Ore.....	17 86	
Expenses in Baer Will case.....	69 64	
To restore the Missionary Society church building fund	241 20	
St. John's church, Harrisburg, Pa., for supply....	120 00	
Traveling expenses of the Board, stationery and postage	74 72	
Salary of the Secretary.....	75 00	
Salary of the Treasurer.....	75 00	
Balance September 27, 1902.....	2,011 72	
		<u>\$2,713 97</u>

V.

DONATION.

Balance in treasury for Grace Memorial church, Washington, D. C., Sept. 23, 1901.....	\$ 828 41	
Interest accrued	20 00	
		<u>\$848 41</u>

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Paid Rev. C. S. Slagle, treasurer for Washington church....	<u>\$848 41</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer.*

HUMMELSTOWN, PA., Sept. 27, 1902.

HARRISBURG, PA., Sept. 27, 1902.

We, the undersigned, have audited the above account and find it correct as stated.

ELLIS N. KREMER,
JAMES C. THOMPSON.

III.—Annual Report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: The Triennial Report of the Board of Home Missions to the General Synod, at Baltimore, in May last, gave a full and clear statement of the work of the Board up to that date. It was, therefore, *not deemed necessary* to offer to the

amount of money which this will give the Board it may be enabled to enlarge the work in the near future. The aim ought to be to pay promptly what is promised by the Synods. The Board can only measure the amount of work by the amount of funds furnished by the church. If the funds promised are not paid an indebtedness is the result. The whole amount of money expended last year was a little over \$50,000, aside from the Church Building work.

NEW WORK.—Additional work will be taken up as the funds will permit. There is no lack of opportunity. The calls for new missions are many. Indianapolis has been calling for several years, but the Board has not had the means to enroll it. Other large cities and towns, as well as smaller places, have been pleading for the coming of our Church. There are many open doors. The Board has done the best it could. It would like to take up new points. It would urge upon the Church a more earnest consideration of these numerous calls. Are they not the calls of the Lord? Do these not represent the opportunities He places before us? Can we believe that He gives us opportunities that we cannot meet if we will? The very fact that He gives us these opportunities is an evidence that He gives us the ability to meet them.

STATISTICS.—As stated above we have now ninety-seven Missions on the roll of the Board aside from the Harbor Mission. There are in these Missions one hundred and thirty congregations, with nearly 12,000 communicants. These Missions raised for Home purposes \$96,000 last year and \$10,000 for benevolence. This is evidence that they try to help themselves. while the amount paid to benevolence is above the average of the Church, per member.

APPORTIONMENTS. — The following are the Apportionments, annually for the next three years:

SYNODS	Home Missions	Harbor Missions	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions	Work Among Germans	Church Building
Eastern.....	\$12,370	\$492	\$3,690	\$2,426	Six cents per member
Potomac	12,450	193	1,448	930	" " " "
Pittsburg	6,280	90	675	460	" " " "
	12,450	125	937	590	" " " "
		14	107	94	" " " "

REQUESTS.—We ask that the Synods take such action as will insure the payment of the sums voted by the Synod.

That all the Synods assume the six cents per member for the Church Building Fund.

That the pastors be requested to keep the \$500 Building Funds before their people, so that additional Funds may be obtained.

That the Synodical Mission Boards recommend to the General Board from time to time only the most important and hopeful points where Missions may be founded.

That as much as possible, the Classes take a more direct oversight of the Missions.

That whenever possible, old Missions be consolidated with adjacent charges.

D. S. FOUSE, *Miss. Supt.*

IV.—Report of Board of Foreign Missions.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Grace be with you, and peace in all the earth. Besides the information given you of our work in the Triennial Report, I beg to present a few later facts to your reverend Synod.

Both our Japan and China Missions are in a prosperous condition, and give promise of great usefulness. We have laid the foundations for effective service, and it is the prerogative of faith to believe that God will bless us with many sheaves of rejoicing in the near future.

During the year 1901, a tidal wave of evangelism swept over the empire of Japan, and as a result the churches report encouraging additions. Besides this, the Government is more tolerant of the Christian school, and we trust, ere long, the last vestige of hostility will forever disappear.

In the Tohoku Gakuin there are 21 teachers: 6 foreigners and 15 natives, with 158 students, of whom 53 are Christians. Already 25 faithful evangelists are the fruits of this school of the prophets. I desire to call your attention to the excellent booklet prepared by Rev. D. B. Schneder, D.D., in which the condition and needs of the institution are graphically set forth. The Board will be *glad to supply pastors with copies for free*

distribution. This booklet will help to create a still deeper interest in this important work of the Mission.

The Girls' School, as is known to the Synod, was totally destroyed by fire on March 8th. The plans for the new buildings are slow in maturing, but the intention is to erect a Recitation Hall in American style, to be known as the Christine Elizabeth Faust Memorial Hall, and the dormitories in Japanese style. The school will sustain a temporary loss, but we hope the cause of education for women in Japan may be promoted in the end. There has been an enrollment during the year of 111 students, of whom 54 are Christians. The 21 Bible women are graduates of the school. Many of the students take an active part in the Sunday-schools.

A very helpful institution in connection with the Tohoku Gakuin is the Industrial Home. This home furnishes the opportunities for young men to earn their way through school. It teaches them the great lesson of self-help. The average number of students is about 70. During the year 11 have united with the Church.

Our China Mission has secured a firm foothold in Yochow through the purchase by Rev. W. E. Hoy, of a splendid property owned by the London Missionary Society, at a cost of \$3,000. By a special effort earlier in the year, \$4,000 have been raised; but to pay for the lot, erect a wall, and rearrange the old Chinese buildings for better use in church, hospital and school work, besides a new house, we will need to raise this amount to at least \$5,000.

In response to the urgent appeals of the missions for more workers, the Board has commissioned the following persons, who will sail this fall: In place of Rev. Fred. Cromer who had to return home on account of his eyesight, Rev. W. A. Reimert and wife have been elected. Dr. J. Albert Beam and wife will go out as our first medical missionaries. Both of them are graduates of medicine, and have won distinction in their profession. We can safely entrust into their hands the founding of a hospital, which has proven to be one of the most helpful agencies in the spread of the Gospel in China. The Misses Christine Reifsneider and S. Emma Ziemer, will go as teachers in the school to be organized. The Japan Mission has been calling most earnestly for a business manager, and the Rev. Jacob

M. Stick will be sent to fill this important position. Rev. Herman H. Cook, Jr., and wife will fill the urgent need of an additional teacher of English in the Tohoku Gakuin. He is a representative of the German portion of the Church, and we commend him most heartily to your favor, as also the other new missionaries.

All our missionaries, except Rev. S. S. Snyder, are soon to be in active service on the fields, and we crave your prayer and help in their support. Our Church has been making commendable progress in her work of Foreign Missions. Fifteen years ago, the treasurer was able to report only \$29,000 for the triennium; this year the treasurer reports \$114,000 for the same period. So that it is evident that the people are giving more liberally towards this most worthy cause. May the dear Lord constrain us to do still greater things for Him in the coming year. With the heart's best wishes for you all, and the earnest hope that God may bless your deliberations for His kingdom in the world, I am, with kind regards,

Very cordially yours,

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW,

Secretary.

N. B.—One week ago a cablegram came to hand, announcing the death of little David Schneder Hoy, the next to the youngest child of our dear Brother William E. Hoy. Brethren, pray that grace may be multiplied to this stricken family, and that the name of the Lord may be glorified by this sad affliction.

Report of the Standing Committee on Missions.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Missions was presented on Saturday during the morning session. It was acted on item by item and finally adopted as a whole.

The Report reads as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN:—The following documents were placed into the hands of your committee:

1. The Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States (for Eastern and Potomac Synods).

2. The Report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions (for Eastern and Potomac Synods).

3. A Supplemental Report of the Board of Home Missions of General Synod, referring us to the Triennial Report, and enclosing a second supplemental report dated October 6, 1902.

4. A Letter from Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D., Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, referring us to the Triennial Report of the Board, and presenting later facts.

5. A Resolution instructing your committee to collect and incorporate into this Report the recommendations made by the General Synod of Baltimore on the subject of Missions, for Eastern Synod's consideration and action.

From an examination of the above-mentioned documents, your committee calls the attention of Synod to the following facts:

I.—Board of Missions (Eastern and Potomac Synods).

1. The Board of Missions for the Eastern and Potomac Synods was reorganized April 7, 1902, for a term of four years, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer was re-elected Superintendent of Missions for a term of three years beginning October 1, 1902.

2. The missions under the care of this Board are reported in good condition; two fields have been added, and one re-enrolled.

3. The Board is making selection of the most promising places in enrolling new fields, instanced by the recent selection of Lewistown.

4. The desire of liberal-spirited friends to make bestowment of gifts for the benefit of the missions under the care of the Board is continually increasing.

5. There is a growing disposition to raise the full amount of apportionment, apparent. This is strikingly shown in the increase of moneys received for the several items of mission work, amounting this year to \$10,343 more than was contributed last year for the work of the Bi-Synodic Board, which sum is itself an increase of \$7,000 over last year's increase.

II.—Treasurer's Report.

1. The amount paid on the apportionments by the Classes of this Synod was \$22,905.33, an increase of \$5,583.33

as recorded in the Report of the former year. For Church Building, on apportionment, this Synod has raised this year \$2,924.34. Two new Church Building Funds are reported, and a third partial fund, amounting in all to \$1,250.

III.—*Report of Board of Home Missions.*

1. There are at present 98 Missions, including the Harbor Mission at New York, with 130 congregations and 12,000 communicant members, under the care of the General Board. As to language, these Missions are distinguished as follows: Two Bohemian, two German-English, ten Hungarian, and eighty-three English. Six are at present without pastors. The financial condition of these Missions is good. Church-buildings and parsonages have been erected and properties improved.

2. The Hungarian work is very promising, and calls for more aggressive operation if our Church would not lose her opportunities.

3. The Bohemian work is admittedly the most difficult, because of an apparent indifference towards self-help, arising from the influence of peculiar conditions existing among this people.

4. There are now 133 Building Funds beside 15 partial Funds in existence. The church property is valued at \$350,000.

5. Only a small part of the \$35,000 asked for last Easter, remains unpaid. The present debt of the Board is about \$20,000. To aid its speedy payment, as well as for the purpose of training the young generation to larger liberality, the plan of observing Home Missionary Day in the Sunday-schools has been inaugurated, is now presented for the Synod's endorsement, and action, urging the adoption of the same by all the Classes of the Synod, is requested. A suitable Order of Service for such day has been prepared and sent to the pastors and superintendents with the intent that it may be used on the initial Home Missionary Day appointed for the second Lord's Day in November, 1902.

6. Last year there was expended by the Board, aside from the Church Building operations, the respectable sum of \$50,000. In order to meet the challenge to still larger work, the apportionment sent down by the General Synod of Balti-

more has been increased to \$75,000, which increase, it is reasonably expected, will be *partly* supplied by the annual observance of Home Missionary Day in the Sunday-schools of the Church and *partly* by the increasing zeal of the Church itself, as she drinks deeper of that fountain of Christian life, the joy of giving. Be it here noted that the Missions themselves raised for Home purposes during the year \$96,000, and for Benevolence \$10,000, which latter amount is above the average of the Church herself, though this is simply as it ought to be in true progress.

Foreign Missions.

1. The Japan and China Missions are both in a prosperous condition, with promise of enlarging possibilities and usefulness. The tidal wave of evangelism of 1901 resulted in encouraging additions, and the Government is becoming more tolerant of Christian schools.

2. The excellent condition and needs of the Tohoku Gakuin have been graphically set forth in a recent booklet by Rev. D. B. Schneder, D.D., which the Board will gladly supply to pastors for free distribution. There are at present, 21 teachers and 158 students, of whom 53 are Christians, in this school.

3. The plans for new buildings to replace the Girls' School—totally destroyed by fire last March—are slowly maturing. The insurance loss on this building, amounting to \$4,472.66, has just been paid. The enrollment of students during the year numbers 111, of whom 54 are Christians.

4. The Industrial Home, with an average number of 70 students, is continuing to prove helpful in leading young men into the Tohoku Gakuin.

5. The China Mission is now firmly planted in Yochow. A splendid property has been purchased from the London Missionary Society, for the proper equipment of which an additional \$1,000, to the \$4,000 already raised by special effort, is now needed.

6. The force of workers has been increased in our Japan and China fields by the election of Revs. Jacob M. Stick, and Herman H. Cook, Jr., and wife for the former, and Rev. W. A. Reimert, Dr. J. Albert Beam and wife, Misses Christine Reifsnyder and S. Emma Ziemer for the latter field. These

together with all the other missionaries excepting Rev. S. S. Snyder, are soon to be in active service.

7. During the past fifteen years, there has been a remarkable increase in the amount of money contributed for the foreign work of the Church. In the report for the last triennium the sum amounts to \$114,000, as over against \$29,000 at the beginning of said period. The receipts for the past year have been about \$47,000.

8. The Church is called to sympathize with our brother, William E. Hoy, and his family, in the recent death of his little son, David Schneder Hoy.

From these facts there is cumulative evidence that our beloved Church has been sitting as a disciple at the feet of the Master and has learned of Him; yea, more, that she has caught the rich significance of His final message to His own, "Go ye therefore, and disciple all nations"; that she is rising to summon all her latent energies in obedience to this command, and with the act, is feeling a quivering thrill of inexpressible joy in the actual fulfillment of His promise, "Lo, I am with you alway even unto the end of the world." We therefore beg leave to submit the following resolutions for your consideration and adoption:

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod records its thankfulness to our Father in Heaven for the blessing He has bestowed upon the missionary operations of the Reformed Church in both the Home and the Foreign fields during the past year, and for the disposition, which He is arousing through the Presence of the Holy Spirit, to increased activity in this work.

2. *Resolved*, That we hereby express our sympathy with Brother William E. Hoy and his family in the sorrow which has recently filled their far-off home in China, and that special prayer be offered during the session of Synod that grace may be multiplied to this stricken family and that the name of the Lord may be glorified by this affliction.

3. *Resolved*, That we record our approval of the zeal and perseverance of the Mission Boards and their respective superintendents and secretaries for challenging, in a hopeful and inspiring spirit, the whole Church to an increasing interest and activity in this work.

4. *Resolved*, That this Synod commends the Classes for

their earnest effort to raise the full amount apportioned for the Mission operations of the Church, and that, as its representatives, we strive, in the annual sessions of our respective Classes, to increase the enthusiasm of the Church in this work.

5. *Resolved*, That six cents per member be apportioned annually for Church Building by the Classes, and that gifts of Church Building Funds be earnestly commended to Classes, congregations, societies and individual members of the Church within the bounds of the Synod.

6. *Resolved*, That Synod requests the Classes to relieve the Boards of Missions within their bounds by reconstruction wherever possible.

7. *Resolved*, That Synod favors the request of the General Synod's Board and appoints the second Lord's Day of November to be known as Home Missionary Sunday, on which day the Sunday-schools shall be challenged to make special offerings for Home Missions.

8. Inasmuch as the Committee on Missions, last year, by oversight, failed to note the request of the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions, asking the Synod to say when its members on said Board shall enter upon their duties, we offer the following: *Resolved*, That the term of office of the members of the Board of Missions, elected by this Synod, shall commence with April 1st of the year following the election.

9. *Resolved*, That this Synod approves the action of the Foreign Board in planning to rebuild the Girls' School, at Sendai; to enlarge the Tohoku Gakuin; to secure homes for the missionaries at Yamagata and Tokio; to furnish the building recently purchased at Yowchow, and to properly equip a hospital for the same place; and that we request the consistories, through the several Classes, to devise plans for securing special contributions from their congregations for the satisfactory completion of the proposed objects claiming our benevolence.

10. *Resolved*, That the Synod observes with pleasure the activity of the Woman's Missionary Society of Eastern Synod, and gratefully acknowledges its valuable aid in fostering favorable sentiment for Mission work.

Respectfully submitted,

J. RAUCH STEIN,
Z. A. YEARICK.

In reference to the suggestion contained in the second resolution contained in the foregoing Report, the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That we express our sympathy with Brother W. E. Hoy and his family in the sorrow which has recently filled their far-off home in China, and that special prayer be offered during the session of Synod that grace may be multiplied to this stricken family and that the name of the Lord may be glorified by the affliction.

Rev. M. H. Sangree and Dr. Jos. H. Hendricks were appointed to lead Synod in prayer. At the appointed hour, shortly before the close of Synod, this service was held. The 23d Psalm was read; the prayers offered; and the devotion closed by singing the hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds."

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was read, and the vacancy occurring on the Board was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

The Report of the Treasurer was also read and referred to the Committee on Finance.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was duly considered and adopted.

The Report is as follows, to wit:

I.—Report of Board of Trustees of Synod.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—The Board of Trustees would call the attention of your honorable body to the large arrearage in the apportionment to the church at Washington, D. C., and request all moneys to be paid through the Treasurer of Synod.

The term of J. J. Nissley expires on January 1, 1903. To fill this vacancy the Board nominates Samuel M. Gingrich, of Swatara Station, and Jacob K. Funck, of Lebanon; one to be elected.

The Board is constituted as follows: Dr. A. B. Dundore, term expires January 1, 1906; Rev. S. A. Leinbach, term ex-

Schuylkill Classis	\$ 69 00
Reading Classis	160 00
Lancaster Classis	157 60
East Susquehanna Classis	28 69
Tohickon Classis	72 36
Philadelphia Classis	276 78
	<hr/> \$ 1,341 53

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$ 1,341 53
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CHURCH BUILDING.

DR.

Reading Classis	\$ 482 00
Lehigh Classis	200 00
East Pennsylvania Classis	446 51
Tohickon Classis	352 56
Lebanon Classis	143 00
Schuylkill Classis	152 00
Lancaster Classis	287 36
Goshenhoppen Classis	162 00
Wyoming Classis	156 00
East Susquehanna Classis	76 65
Philadelphia Classis	183 50
West Susquehanna Classis	296 84
	<hr/> \$ 2,938.42

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$ 2,938 42
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SEMINARY AND GERHARD FUND.

DR.

A. Fackler, 12 mo. interest Keefer Legacy.....	\$ 150 00
Leonard Mountz, 12 mo. interest, Keefer Legacy....	125 00
W. I. Clay, 12 mo. interest Keefer Legacy.....	86 45
W. I. Clay, on account mortgage.....	600 00
John H. Goss, 12 mo. interest, Keefer Legacy.....	100 00
Samuel S. Shenk, interest Cooke Legacy.....	30 00
Henry Alleman, 12 mo. interest, Gerhard Fund....	18 00
	<hr/> \$ 1,109 45

CR.

Paid J. L. Lemberger, Treas. Foreign Missions, 12 mo. interest Gerhard Fund	6 00
Paid John Herzler, Treas. Board Education, 12 mo. interest, Gerhard Fund	6 00
Paid John J. Nissley, Treas Board of Missions, 12 mo. interest, Gerhard Fund	6 00
Paid loan to Joseph Nissley, Keifer Legacy.....	600 00
Paid John B. Roth, Treas. Theological Seminary, Keefer Legacy	461 45
Paid John B. Roth, Treas. Theological Seminary, interest Cooke Legacy	30 00
	<hr/> \$ 1,109 45

CURRENT EXPENSES, THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

DR.

East Pennsylvania Classis	\$ 102 85
Lehigh Classis	155 00
Schuylkill Classis	59 52
Tohickon Classis	140 66

Reading Classis	\$ 129 00	
Lancaster Classis	74 60	
Goshenhoppen Classis	90 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	54 00	
Lebanon Classis	48 50	
Philadelphia Classis	68 42	
Wyoming Classis	57 45	
West Susquehanna Classis	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,060 00

CR.

Cr. Contingent Expense account for repairs to Dr.

Gerhard's House	\$ 41 92	
Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer Seminary	1,018 08	
	<hr/>	\$ 1,060 00

CATAWBA COLLEGE.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis	\$ 42 00	
Lehigh Classis	50 00	
Lancaster Classis	65 35	
Goshenhoppen Classis	74 00	
Lebanon Classis	45 00	
Reading Classis	114 00	
Wyoming Classis	37 00	
Philadelphia Classis	53 61	
East Pennsylvania Classis	77 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 558 46

CR.

Paid Rev. J. A. Fail, Treasurer	\$ 513 02	
Paid M. J. Rowe, Treasurer	45 44	
	<hr/>	\$ 558 46

ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

DR.

From Rev. Thomas W. Dickert	\$ 170 00	
From E. H. Burkholder, per Rev. Knappenberger ..	25 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 195 00

CR.

Amount transferred to interest account	\$ 161 78	
Oct. 20, 1902, Balance	33 22	
	<hr/>	\$ 195 00

ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

East Pennsylvania Classis	\$ 150 00	
Schuylkill Classis	34 00	
Lehigh Classis	94 00	
Tohickon Classis	89 32	
Reading Classis	52 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	52 00	
Lebanon Classis	28 00	
Wyoming Classis	25 50	
Philadelphia Classis	9 75	
Lancaster Classis	21 15	
Amount transferred from bond account	161 78	
	<hr/>	\$ 717 50

CR.

Paid C. M. W. Keck, trustee, 1 year's interest on bonds	\$ 717 50	
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MEMORIAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

DR.

Lebanon Classis	\$ 385 99
Lancaster Classis	477 85
Wyoming Classis	361 56
East Pennsylvania Classis	563 93
Lehigh Classis	298 50
Goshenhoppen Classis	531 07
East Susquehanna Classis	541 11
Philadelphia Classis	996 98
West Susquehanna Classis	545 72
Tohickon Classis	297 10
Schuylkill Classis	231 04
Reading Classis	924 12
	<hr/> \$ 6,154 97

CR.

Paid Rev. C. S. Slagle, treasurer.....\$ 6,154 97

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer.*

HUMMELSTOWN, PA., Oct. 20th, 1902.

We, the undersigned auditors, have examined the report of John J. Nissley, Treasurer of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, and have found the same correct.

S. A. LEINBACH,
W. M. LEINBACH.

October 21, 1902.

Arrearages.

CLASSES.	Harbor Missions.	Home Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	German Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Washington Church.	Catawba College.	Allentown
E. Pennsylvania.	\$5 05	\$154 23	\$66 27	\$52 40	\$77 49	\$24 15	\$575 20	\$31 00	...
Wyoming.....	12 00	275 91	90 00	61 00	140 00	21 55	289 67	24 00	\$1
Lehigh.....	18 00	1375 00	254 00	147 00	455 00	16 00	1046 73	85 00	...
Schuylkill.....	10 36	610 08	100 00	88 00	144 00	19 48	398 49	19 00	...
Reading.....	20 00	9 53	37 00	71 00	.....	.....	.....	.....	1
Lancaster.....	.....	111 24	21 65	17 40	50 64	11 40	271 28	3 65	2
E. Susquehanna..	25 83	547 43	166 97	128 31	231 35	27 00	88 32	63 00	4
Lebanon.....	30 50	1624 62	261 00	191 50	416 00	99 50	689 44	69 50	5
Tohickon.....	5 90	1104 00	190 70	143 64	63 44	.....	545 63	85 00	...
Philadelphia.....	1 99	.....	107 58	.....	184 50	30 58	.....	21 30	4
W. Susquehanna.	32 00	.....	1 95	157 00	.....	.....	28 31	61 00	4
Goshenhoppen...	.....	125 22	100 00	187 00	200 00	5 00	196 36	.....	...
	\$159 63	\$6237 26	\$1397 12	\$1244 25	\$1962 42	\$254 66	\$4129 43	\$462 54	\$24

OVERPAID APPORTIONMENT.

CLASSES.	Home Missions.	Church Building.	German Missions.	Memorial Church, Washington.	Seminary Aid.	Catawba College.
West Susquehanna.....	\$75 90	\$ 84	.....	.....	.....	.....
Philadelphia	24 95	.....	\$85 78	\$241 95	.....	.....
Reading .....	.....	30 00	.....	42 39	\$11 00	\$21 00
East Pennsylvania.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	75 00
Tohickon .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	30 66	30 32
	\$100 85	\$30 84	\$85 78	\$284 34	\$41 66	\$126 32

Report of Permanent Committee to Raise Funds for the Purchase of Allentown College for Women.

In response to the fifth item in the Report on Minutes of *Synod*, the following Report was read and adopted.

The Report is as follows, namely:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—As Chairman of the Committee on Raising Money toward the Purchase of Allentown College for Women by Eastern Synod, we beg leave to offer the following report:

The work of raising money toward this object was continued during the past year wherever opportunity offered.

The committee was kindly received by the people of such charges as were opened to us for canvass, and the responses were as liberal as could be expected.

Since our last report we placed into the hands of the Treasurer of Synod toward this object \$195, making a total of \$6,528.93 thus far secured, and leaving a balance of \$13,471.07 still to be secured, a small part of which is covered by pledges not yet paid.

Your committee issued a circular letter calling attention to the action of Synod designating the last Sunday in May, or any other Sunday nearest that date which might be most convenient, as Allentown College for Women Day. A copy of this letter was sent to every pastor in the Synod. A number of the brethren replied, giving reasons why they could not observe the day this year; others promised to give the matter favorable consideration at some future time; a few observed the day with gratifying results; some ignored our communication altogether.

We have reason to believe that the interest in Allentown College for Women is growing, and that her prosperous condition and excellent work are constantly winning for her new friends and benefactors.

The property has been greatly improved during the past year, enhancing the value of the College, and making its purchase still more desirable than formerly.

Inasmuch as the time for the transfer of the College, free from all encumbrances, will expire June 1, 1903, and inasmuch

as neither party to the contract has yet met all the conditions involved in it, your committee would respectfully overture Synod to extend the time of expiration of said contract to June 1, 1905, in the hope that meanwhile all the conditions may be met.

Your committee would also emphasize the urgent need of having a first-class College for Young Women that will be able to offer the young women of our Church opportunities for liberal education, culture and refinement similar to those we offer the young men of the Church.

We would also request Synod to urge the respective Classes to call the attention of pastors and congregations within their bounds to the importance of observing Allentown College for Women Day on the last Sunday in May, or some suitable Sunday near that date, when offerings are to be received to consummate the purchase of the College.

We would again remind Synod that the interest on the balance of the purchase money still to be raised means a loss of nearly \$800 per annum, making all the more urgent the speedy payment of the balance of the principal.

Your Chairman would request Synod to appoint the following brethren members of this committee: Rev. J. G. Rupp, East Pennsylvania Classis, which Classis through an oversight has had no representative on the committee for several years; Rev. W. F. DeLong, Lebanon Classis, in place of Rev. I. Calvin Fisher, resigned; Rev. A. A. Black, West Susquehanna Classis, in place of Rev. F. W. Brown, removed from within bounds of Classis; Rev. S. L. Whitmore, Schuylkill Classis, in place of Rev. Elmer S. Noll, about to remove to another Classis; and Rev. James R. Brown, Reading Classis, in place of Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D., who is unable to serve because of ill health.

Thanking the pastors and people for their help in the past, and praying for their hearty co-operation in the future, we respectfully submit this our sixth Annual Report.

THOMAS W. DICKERT, *Chairman.*

The following is the personnel of the Committee of Synod, as reconstructed, for the purchase of Allentown College for Women, namely: Rev. Thomas W. Dickert, Chairman; East

Pennsylvania Classis, Rev. J. G. Rupp; Lebanon Classis, Rev. W. F. DeLong; Philadelphia Classis, Rev. David U. Wolff, D.D.; Lancaster Classis, Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D.; East Susquehanna Classis, Rev. Robert O'Boyle; West Susquehanna Classis, Rev. A. A. Black; Goshenhoppen Classis, Rev. J. E. Freeman; Tohickon Classis, Rev. C. B. Weaver; Lehigh Classis, Rev. D. E. Schoedler, D.D.; Schuylkill Classis, Rev. S. L. Whitmore; Reading Classis, Rev. James R. Brown; Wyoming Classis, Rev. S. E. Stofflett.

The following action was adopted:

Resolved, That in order to provide for the interest on the balance to be raised toward the purchase of Allentown College for Women, the sum of \$700 be apportioned upon the several Classes, and that the amount be referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment.

The Report of Funds Received for Grace Reformed Church, Washington, D. C.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN:—The committee appointed to co-operate with Grace Reformed church, Washington, D. C., in the building of the Washington Memorial church, is pleased to report that the work of building is progressing satisfactorily. It is very probable that the work will be completed by the end of the present year.

On the basis of the cash in hand and the pledges made by the three Eastern Synods, contracts for the building were made.

In order that these contracts may be fulfilled, the pledges will have to be met without further delay.

Money is needed now to meet the payments. Neither the congregation of Grace church, nor the committee, can prevent liens being put on the building if we do not have the money to meet the obligations incurred.

We are not in a position, nor have we any authority, to borrow money; the situation is a grave one, and calls for immediate action on the part of the Church.

The committee begs leave to call the attention of your reverend body to the urgent necessity of taking action to

secure at once the unpaid balances of the amounts apportioned upon your several Classes.

We herewith present a statement of the amounts received, together with the unpaid balances.

Classes.	Apportioned.	Paid.	Balance Due.
East Pennsylvania	\$1,139 13	\$563 93	\$575 20
Lebanon	1,175 43	517 95	557 48
Philadelphia	755 03	996 98	
Lancaster	749 13	345 89	403 24
East Susquehanna	629 43	541 11	88 32
West Susquehanna	574 03	545 72	28 31
Tohickon	842 73	297 10	545 63
Goshenhoppen	727 43	531 07	196 36
Lehigh	1,345 23	298 50	1,046 73
Schuylkill	629 53	231 04	398 49
Wyoming	651 23	361 56	289 67
Reading	881 73	924 12	
	<hr/> \$10,000 06	<hr/> \$6,154 97	<hr/> \$4,129 43

Philadelphia Classis overpaid its apportionment \$241.95. Your Synod should receive this credit. Deducting this from the amount due, leaves a balance due from your Synod on its pledge amounting to \$3,895.09.

Respectfully submitted,

ISAAC M. MOTTER, *Secretary.*

C. S. SLAGLE, *President and Treasurer.*

II.—Report of Standing Committee on Finance.

The Report on Finance was received on the sixth day of the sessions in the afternoon, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole.

The Report reads as follows:

Your Committee on Finance would respectfully offer the following Report:

There were referred to us the Treasurer's Report, which we found properly attested by the Auditors, and the following amounts to be apportioned among the Classes:

General Synod Contingent	\$ 1,230
Eastern Synod Contingent	600
Foreign Missions	18,450
Home Missions	32,370
Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.....	3,690
German Missions	2,426
Harbor Missions	492
Church Building	5,002
Seminary Aid	1,275
Allentown College	700
Total.....	<hr/> \$66,235

These amounts are apportioned as follows:

CLASSES.	General Synod Contingent.	Eastern Synod Contingent.	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	German Missions.	Harbor Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.
Lehigh	\$163	\$80	\$2500	\$4300	\$495	\$322	\$61	\$771	\$171	\$94
Lebanon	143	70	2100	3650	420	275	53	540	148	80
E. Pennsylvania.	123	60	1975	3500	400	240	51	521	127	75
Reading	115	56	1700	3000	350	225	45	459	118	64
Tobickon	107	52	1550	2650	310	210	42	417	110	59
Philadelphia	95	46	1400	2500	280	185	38	411	99	53
Goshenhoppen ...	92	45	1375	2450	275	180	37	364	95	52
Lancaster	86	42	1300	2400	255	170	35	351	86	49
E. Susquehanna.	76	38	1175	2050	230	155	33	308	81	45
Wyoming	76	37	1125	2000	225	155	32	297	80	43
W. Susquehanna.	76	37	1125	2000	225	155	33	293	80	43
Schuylkill	76	37	1125	1970	225	154	32	270	80	43

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES R. BROWN,
DAVID SCHEIRER, P. WILLIARD,
TILGHMAN DERR, JNO. M. SHADE.

Unpaid Apportionments for Grace Reformed Church, Washington, D. C.

The following action was adopted:

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees of Synod be and hereby is authorized to instruct its Treasurer to effect a loan covering the balance of apportionment for Grace Reformed church, Washington, D. C., that remains unpaid by January 1, 1903.

An order on Treasurer was granted for \$25 in favor of Rev. Wm. H. Happel, Ph.D., for the use of Zion's church, Wilkesbarre, Pa., for holding its Annual Sessions.

Orders were granted to Rev. S. P. Brown for \$8; to Rev. J. Lewis Fluck for \$5.75 for defending Synod's action before General Synod in the Hartzell Appeal Case; and to the Corresponding Secretary, Rev. J. Rauch Stein, for \$1.25 for printing tickets.

Elder Samuel M. Gingrich, of Swatara Station, Pa., on the fifth day of the sessions was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod; and on the sixth day of the sessions he was elected as Treasurer of Synod.

of the Board has had large demands made upon it during the past year. The triennial report of the Board indicates the value of the Grants of Literature made to new and needy schools, including at one time or another of its history the Sunday-schools connected with the congregations under the care of the Home Mission Board. Grants of Literature are also made to many schools started by pastors in connection with regular self-supporting charges. A unique work, which illustrates the value and flexibility of Sunday-school missionary work, was the establishment during the last few months of a self-supporting congregation and Sunday-school in the bounds of Philadelphia Classis. The Classical Committee on Sunday-school work, in co-operation with the Missionary Department of the Sunday-school Board, investigated the prospects of a new field at Oak Lane, discovered the need of immediate action in order to establish a Reformed Church interest. The emergency of the case required immediate help, the proposition coming to the Classical committee that, if the Reformed Church authorities advanced one thousand dollars for the purchase of a church property, the people interested would guarantee to pay the balance of three thousand dollars and make application for the organization of a self-supporting congregation. It is pleasant to report that the Oak Lane Reformed church has been constituted with a Sunday-school enrollment of a hundred. They have a fine church building and have pledges sufficient to support a pastor without additional help. This outlay, in connection with the employment of Sunday-school Missionaries, etc., means a challenge to the Sunday-schools of the Church to make more liberal offerings on Children's Day to the cause of Sunday-school Missions. The time ought not to be distant, when every Reformed Sunday-school will make an annual offering to this work.

Third. The attention of your reverend body will be called to the request of the General Synod to the establishment of Home Missionary and Foreign Missionary Day in the Sunday-school. Preparations have been made for the first observance of this day on the second Sunday of November. A Home Missionary service has been arranged. Copies of this service with collection envelopes will be sent by the Board at the request of the Board of Home Missions to every English Reformed Sun-

day-school. We trust your reverend body will instruct its Synodical Sunday-school Committee or Board and request the several Classes to instruct their committees on Sunday-school work to co-operate in securing a universal, enthusiastic and united observance of Home Missionary Day, Orphans' Home Day and Foreign Missionary Day in the Sunday-school. The importance of training the young in habits of benevolence and of inculcating the missionary spirit justifies the most earnest efforts in this direction.

This brief report would not be complete without referring to the issue during the past year of the Primary Sunday-school Hymnal. This book has met with a most favorable reception. It is intended to furnish our schools not only with the best hymns for the use and training of the little ones, but also supplemental material suitable for children up to the age of 10. It is of the first importance to start the children right. The Great Master of old placed a child in the midst. Should not the Church make unceasing efforts to impress upon pastors, church officers, Sunday-school teachers and parents the supreme importance of child training and the religious nurture of the young?

Respectfully submitted,
S. S. BOARD REFORMED CHURCH,
CONRAD CLEVER, *President*,
RUFUS W. MILLER, *General Secretary*.

Report of Eastern Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools would report that a joint meeting of your committee and the Sunday-school Committees of the various Classes was held in the First Reformed church of Reading, Pa., on September 26, 1902. At this meeting, four members of your committee and fourteen members representing nine Classes of the Synod, were present. The Stated Clerk of Synod and the Secretary of the Sunday-school Board and a number of ministers and elders from the various Classes were also present and took part in the proceedings.

Reports were heard from the Classes as to:

- (1) General condition of the work.

(2) Work accomplished during the year in the way new schools, increase of membership, benevolence, etc.

(3) Accuracy of statistics.

The sum of the Reports along these lines was that the general condition of the Sunday-school field within the bounds of the Synod was encouraging; that the idea of Classical Conventions was increasing in favor; that new schools had been established with an encouraging increase in membership; steady growth in benevolent work, and a gratifying showing the way of larger and more complete statistics.

After these Reports had been heard, the Conference applied itself to the discussion of the following:

(1) Division of Synod's territory into three or more districts, with a view of holding District Conventions.

(2) Co-operation in securing offerings for Home Missions the second Sunday in November, and for Foreign Missions the second Sunday in February.

(3) Regular Teachers' Meetings and Teacher Training.

(4) The mutual financial advantage of the patronage of our schools in the purchase of all literature and supplies from our Sunday-school Board.

(5) The subject of Graded Lessons for the Sunday-school.

The outcome of the discussion upon these topics was:

(a) As to the first topic: "That the usefulness of Classical Conventions for studying local needs and strengthening local work was emphasized and such conventions be commended."

(b) "That the annual conference of the Synod's Committee and the Classical Committees is receiving increasing favor, and its continuance was recommended."

As to the second topic, the action was "That Synod Committee should issue a circular letter to every minister of the Synod as to securing offerings from the Sunday-school for Home Missions in November, 1902, and for Foreign Missions in February, 1903."

The third and fifth topics were taken up, and a wide and interesting discussion followed. A plan suggested for securing a supply of trained teachers was that of a Summer School for as many as can attend, who in turn may become adept

training local talent for work in the Sunday-school, was favorably received, and a committee, consisting of Rev. T. J. Hacker, Rev. C. H. Coon, D.D., and Rev. R. W. Miller, D.D., was named to confer with the brethren of the Presbyterian Church with a view to jointly establishing such a Summer School for Sunday-school Teachers.

Further action along these lines was:

(a) To challenge the attention of Synod to the matter of Graded Lessons for the Sunday-school; and,

(b) Commending the Sunday-school Board for its preparation and issue of text books for beginners.

A mass meeting of the Sunday-schools of Reading and vicinity was held in the First Reformed church the evening of the same day. This meeting was well attended, the music furnished by the combined choirs of the Reading churches, and addresses were delivered by Mr. Philip E. Howard, of Philadelphia, and Prof. G. W. Richards, D.D., of Lancaster, Pa.

The Synod's Committee, for itself and for all others in conference assembled, gratefully acknowledges the cordial reception and kind hospitality of the local committee and the members of the Reformed Church of Reading.

The attention of Synod is called to the fact that the term of Elder C. C. Leader expires with this meeting of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. HACKER, *Chairman.*

S. P. HEILMAN, M.D., *Secretary.*

Report of Standing Committee on Sunday-schools.

This Report was presented on Monday during the afternoon session, acted on item by item and adopted.

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Committee on Sunday-schools begs leave to submit the following Report:

We have received the following communications: The Report of the General Synod's Sunday-school Board; the Report of Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools; and the Sunday-school statistics of the several Classes.

We desire to commend the work of the Synod's Perma-

ment Committee. They have worked faithfully and successfully. Their continued progress and greater influence will depend upon a heartier and more universal support and co-operation.

The general Sunday-school work in the Church is, as we learn from these Reports, encouraging and progressing satisfactorily. The Sunday-school Board has done most excellent work. We congratulate them on their splendid Report, and on their earnest endeavors to keep our work abreast the times.

Reiterating the actions of former Synods, we recommend:

First—That Synod urge Classes to continue their efforts, and to perfect their methods looking to greater accuracy and effectiveness in the tabulating of statistics.

Second—That Synod emphasize the importance of the graded Sunday-school, and urge its introduction throughout its bounds.

Third—That Synod notes with pleasure the publication of the Primary Hymnal, and urges its adoption in our schools.

Fourth—That Synod calls the attention of the several Classes to the publication of "The Beginner's Course," and urges its adoption.

Fifth—That, in view of the business prosperity of the Sunday-school Board, Synod urges the said Board to charge the Missionary Department cost prices, instead of wholesale prices, for Grants of Literature.

Sixth—That, as far as possible, the Missionary Fund of the Sunday-school Board be not charged with purely business expenses.

Seventh—That Synod expresses its approval of the movement which looks to the greater efficiency of our teaching forces by Teachers' Training Courses.

We present herewith the tabulated statistics of the Synod, together with the Report of the Secretary of the General Board as a part of our Report, that they may be incorporated in the Minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

V. W. DIPPELL, C. E. BARTHOLOMEW,
A. S. BROMER, H. M. HOUSEKEEPER.

Sunday-school Statistics for 1902.

CLASSFN.	Sunday-Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.
East Pennsylvania	76	1,483	9,895	11,378
East Susquehanna	49	947	6,538	7,461
Goshenhoppen	30	819	5,206	6,025
Lancaster	46	1,051	6,836	7,692
Lebanon	57	1,372	7,922	9,294
Lehigh	66	1,535	12,325	13,526
Philadelphia	35	885	8,043	8,928
Reading	29	1,088	9,548	10,636
Schuylkill	33	716	5,723	6,423
Tohickon	49	942	6,805	7,747
West Susquehanna	55	861	5,262	6,204
Wyoming	46	821	6,195	7,015
	571	12,520	90,298	102,329

MONEYS CONTRIBUTED FOR VARIOUS PURPOSES.

CLASSES.	Sunday-School Boards.	Church Boards.	Benevolent Purposes.	School.
East Pennsylvania	\$292	\$ 393	\$ 305	\$4,837
East Susquehanna	69	620	850	3,409
Goshenhoppen	81	659	178	4,352
Lancaster	156	608	1,706	3,695
Lebanon	58	533	618	6,349
Lehigh	125	1,099	615	4,747
Philadelphia	55	1,679	648	6,515
Reading	85	926	3,368	5,584
Schuylkill	36	323	549	2,948
Tohickon	2	695	100	3,742
West Susquehanna	46	327	121	2,290
Wyoming	141	430	425	3,215
	\$1,146	\$8,292	\$9,483	\$51,683

Elder C. C. Leader was re-elected a member of Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools.

ARTICLE XIX.

PUBLICATION.

In reference to the item in Report on Minutes of Synod concerning the publishing of the Minutes of the last sessions, the following was presented and adopted:

Printing Minutes of Synod.

The undersigned begs leave to report that 4,000 copies of the Acts and Proceedings of the 155th Annual Sessions of Synod were printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distributed among those entitled to receive them according to the rules and regulations of Synod in the case. The work was exe-

by furnishing the best supplies at a minimum cost. The outlook for the coming year is very promising in increased usefulness and possibility of rendering more service. With the growing circulation of the Messenger the Book department is afforded the means of reaching more of the people of the Church. The prestige and reputation that are being established are turning more business in our direction."

And he concludes his report as follows: "We are still of the opinion that the reduction in price (of the Messenger) was wise and that the future will demonstrate this. The prospects of increased revenue from the advertising are very good, and with the first of November the increase in revenue will be marked. We think it reasonable to expect that in the course of a year our income will be double the amount that was formerly paid us by the Religious Press Association, besides the advantage we have secured in being able to improve the quality of the advertising. Your manager takes much encouragement from the growth of the business in its several departments during the past years and from the bright prospects for the future."

The Board shares in the hopes and expectations expressed by the Manager.

Rev. Alexander Kalassay appeared before the Board at its last meeting and made a request for the loan of five hundred dollars (\$500) to aid in the publication of the "Hungarian American Reformed Sentinel," he agreeing to repay the same in annual payments of one hundred dollars each. This matter is by resolution of the Board referred to the Synods for their consideration and action.

The following is the statement of Francis E. Heller, the business manager for the Board:

STATEMENT OF RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES, JULY 1, 1902.

RESOURCES.

Cash on hand.....	\$ 1,162 81
Merchandise, Book Department	11,633 55
Merchandise, Messenger Department.....	803 78
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,306 80
Accounts Receivable, Advertising.....	603 57
Accounts Receivable, Book Department.....	1,760 24
Subscriptions due Messenger.....	6,128 30
Subscriptions due Review.....	265 50
Cash advanced solicitors.....	270 59
Rent paid in advance.....	233 33
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	\$24,168 47

LIABILITIES.

Messenger subscriptions paid in advance.....	\$ 4,212 40	
Review subscriptions paid in advance.....	267 00	
		<u>4,479 40</u>
Net Capital		\$19,689 07

LOSSES AND GAINS JULY 1, 1901, TO JULY 1, 1902.

BOOK DEPARTMENT.		LOSSES.	GAINS.
Inventory July 1, 1902....	\$11,633 55		
Credits	18,645 11		
	<u>\$30,278 66</u>		
Inventory July 1, 1901....	\$ 7,436 10		
Debits	21,230 50		
	<u>28,666 60</u>		
			\$1,612 06
MESSENGER.			
Inventory July 1, 1901....	\$ 210 54		
Debits	22,196 32		
	<u>\$22,406 86</u>		
Inventory July 1, 1902....	\$ 803 78		
Credits	20,843 12		
	<u>\$21,646 90</u>		
		\$759 96	
REVIEW.			
Credits	\$1,254 09		
Debits	1,247 34		
	<u>\$6 75</u>		
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.			
Inventory July 1, 1901....	\$ 872 90		
Debits	494 07		
	<u>\$1,366 97</u>		
Inventory July 1, 1902....	\$ 1,306 80		
Credits	50 00		
	<u>1,356 80</u>		
		10 17	
Net gain July 1, 1901, to July 1, 1902.....		<u>848 68</u>	
			\$1,618 81
			\$1,618 81

We the undersigned committee appointed to audit the accounts of the Manager, respectfully report that your committee met on Tuesday, August 26th, 1902, at the Publication Rooms, 1306 Arch St., Philadelphia, and examined the books and papers relating to the business and the stock on hand in the Book Department as well as the Furniture and Fixtures, and that we find the foregoing statement correct, subject to such changes as have naturally taken place in the usual course of business since July 1st, 1902.

JOHN W. BICKEL,
H. M. HOUSEKEEPER,
Committee.

REPORT OF TREASURER JAMES T. REBER.

1901.	DR.	
Sept. 4.	To cash in hand.....	\$ 24 94
Nov. 7.	Proceeds of R. & C. Railroad Bond.....	1,000 00
	Interest on same.....	20 80
Oct. 1.	Bonus, Sunday-school Board.....	500 00
Dec. 1.	Interest on Railroad Bond.....	50 00

3. That the scholarly and ably-edited *Review* be anew commended to our ministers, and that they should, in their desire to keep abreast with current theological thought, heartily support it.

4. That the Classes urge the ministers to use their influence to help on the increasing business of the Book Department by having their own and the books of their churches and various societies purchased there; for we are confident that the Board's Book Department will render the most prompt, economic and satisfactory service.

5. That Synod hereby authorizes the Board of Publication to use its own judgment in the matter of granting the loan of \$500, desired by Rev. Alexander Kalassay for the *Hungarian American Reformed Sentinel*.

Respectfully submitted,

HENRY H. RANCK,

A. O. BARTHOLOMEW, SAMUEL KLOPP,
S. R. WAGNER, A. LUKENBACH.

Elders H. M. Housekeeper and Jas. T. Reber were re-elected members of the Board of Publication.

ARTICLE XX.

ORPHAN HOME AND OTHER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The 39th Annual Report of Bethany Orphan Home was received and referred to the Standing Committee on the Orphan Home, who presented a Report during Monday's session, which was adopted. The Report is as follows, to wit:

I.—Bethany Orphan Home.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your Standing Committee on Bethany Orphan Home presents the following Report for your consideration:

The 39th Annual Report of the Home by the Board of Managers was placed in our hands. It is very gratifying to learn of the prosperous condition and the commendable management of Bethany Orphan Home. During another year it has enjoyed the favor of a gracious Heavenly Father and the hearty support of a devoted Church. The affairs of the Home are moving along smoothly and harmoniously. The Report

of the Physician notes the advantageous location of the Home, the sanitary condition of ground and buildings as a matter for congratulation. Great care is exercised to have the children surrounded with moral and religious influences and to afford them the necessary instruction for the development of their religious life, and at the proper time are gathered into the fold of the Church. On Whitsuntide fourteen were gathered into the Church by the rite of confirmation. An excellent school under competent teachers is maintained during ten months in the year. The Synod will be pleased to learn that the new building, affording better facilities for the school, was completed and occupied during the year. One hundred and fifty-two children have been cared for during the year. There are at present one hundred and twenty-six in the Home.

In view of these and other facts, we offer the following for your adoption:

Resolved, That the Classes and pastors be requested to again commend the Home to the generous support of their people, and that every Sunday-school in this Synod be given an opportunity to make an offering for the support of the Home at the Christmas season or some other suitable time in the year.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. HENRY

D. G. GLASS, C. LOOSE,

H. I. CROW, J. S. YEAGER.

II.—Society for Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

A Communication and a Statement concerning the Society for Relief presented in the 5th item in the Report on Overtures, was read and referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. A. B. Koplin, O. F. Schaeffer, and Elder H. D. Leinbach. The papers referred are as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: As the treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States, we present for information the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same within your bounds for the year ending October 4, 1902.

\$698.61 was contributed for this worthy object during the same period.

Your committee calls the attention of the Synod to the encouraging fact that during the past year twenty-nine names have been added to the roll of life members and nine annual members to the Society.

We offer the following resolution for your adoption:

Resolved, That we rejoice in the present prosperous condition of the Society as shown by the Report of its officers.

Resolved, That we again commend this Society to the confidence and liberality of our people and ask the Classes within our bounds to make earnest efforts to increase its financial support.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. KOPLIN, Chairman.

ARTICLE XXI.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Arrangement to be Made to Report Synodical Proceedings.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That a Permanent Committee be appointed to make arrangements for reporting the Acts and Proceedings of Synod for publication in the Press; and that this committee consists of the President and Stated Clerk of Synod and the pastor loci where the annual sessions of Synod are held.

ARTICLE XXII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Standing Committee on Nominations, to whom was referred the several vacancies occurring on the various Boards, presented its report on Saturday morning, which was read and adopted.

The election of Trustee of Synod was made the order of day on Saturday at the opening of the afternoon session, and the election of the remainder of the ticket was made the order of the day on Monday at 10 A. M.

The Report on Nomination.

To the Eastern Synod:

Your committee respectfully reports the following Nominations for your further consideration:

1. *For the Board of Trustees of Synod.*

Samuel M. Gingrich. Jacob K. Funck.

One to be elected.

2. *For the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College.*

Geo. F. Baer, LL.D. C. M. Bower.

Two to be elected.

3. *For the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.*

Geo. G. Heilman. J. G. Moyer.

John Hertzler. Dr. J. Z. Gerhard.

J. S. Hess. Dr. Henry Bobb.

Three to be elected.

4. *For the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.*

Rev. Dr. S. G. Wagner. Dr. D. E. Schoedler.

Rev. Dr. N. C. Shaeffer Rev. J. J. Rothrock.

Rev. Dr. B. B. Ferer. Rev. A. M. Schmidt.

Three to be elected.

5. *For the Board of Publication.*

James T. Reber. A. D. Simpson.

H. M. Housekeeper. Joseph Leinbach.

Two to be elected.

6. *Sunday-school Committee.*

Elder C. C. Leader. Paul A. Kunkel.

One to be elected.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. KOPLIN, *Chairman.*

On Saturday at 2 P. M. the election was held for Trustee of Synod. The President appointed Revs. C. B. Weaver and Scott R. Wagner as Tellers. The roll was called and ballot taken, which resulted in the election of Samuel M. Gingrich as Trustee of Synod.

The election of the remainder of the ticket took place on Monday at 10 A. M. The President appointed the Tellers, who distributed the tickets, and at the calling of the roll col-

from its sale, of which *Synod shall receive one-half and Rev. Dr. J. I. Good the other half.*

It affords us pleasure to inform Synod that a large number of subscribers has been secured, and it is our expectation that the edition will be speedily sold.

Very respectfully,

JAMES CRAWFORD;
WILLIAM J. HINKE,
JOS. H. DUBBS.

Time and Place for Synod's Next Annual Meeting.

On Monday during the afternoon session in the Report on Overtures an invitation was extended by St. Mark's Reformed church to Synod to convene in annual sessions in their midst.

The invitation was accepted, and Synod will entertain itself by holding its annual sessions, October 28, 1903, at 8 P. M., in St. Mark's Reformed church, Lebanon, Pa.

Reporters to the Press.

The President appointed, on the fourth day of the sessions, Revs. V. W. Dippell, A. N. Stubblebine and E. M. Hartman as Reporters, who at the closing of the sessions presented the following Report, which was adopted:

DEAR BRETHREN:—Your committee begs leave to report that it has fulfilled its duties to the best of its ability. We have been severely hindered in our work by premature reports to the daily press of this city, from which special and Associated Press reporters have taken items of news as pleased them. We hope this may be obviated by the action taken by this Synod at one of the sessions last week.

Respectfully submitted,

V. W. DIPPELL,
A. N. STUBBLEBEIN.

Resolution of Congratulation for ex-Judge H. C. Hoover on His 80th Birthday.

Synod adopted by rising vote the following resolution and preamble:

To have reached the age of 80 years in vigorous health and with faculties unimpaired, is, if not rare, at least a com-

paratively unusual thing. Such, we learn, is today the good fortune of one among us, ex-Judge H. C. Hoover, of Philadelphia Classis.

In view of his long official and personal connection with the work of the Reformed Church, having been for five years a Trustee of Franklin and Marshall College, for twenty years a Trustee of Ursinus College, for twenty-five years Treasurer of Philadelphia Classis, and frequently a delegate to this body, as he is at this session; therefore, be it

Resolved, That this Synod unite in congratulation to ex-Judge H. C. Hoover on reaching his 80th birthday, and hereby gives expression of good will and the hope that many years of useful and happy life may yet be his.

Resolutions of Sympathy in Affliction.

Synod having learned of the serious illness of Revs. Dr. Jno. M. Titzel, Dr. C. S. Gerhard and George B. Walbert, the following action was taken:

Resolved, That Synod has learned with sorrow of the continued illness of these brethren, and that it herewith extends to them its most cordial sympathy in their afflictions, assuring them of its most earnest prayers to a covenant-keeping God and Father that He may sustain them in their sore trials, granting them the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the comforts of the Holy Spirit.

These words of sympathy were communicated to the several families by the Corresponding Secretary.

Leave of Absence.

On the 4th day of the sessions the President appointed a committee of three, with Elder J. H. Kurzenknabe as Chairman, on Excuses for Leave of Absence, who at the close of the sessions reported the names of those delegates who for good reasons were obliged to leave before the close of the sessions. The permission granted was confirmed and the Report adopted.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were offered and unanimously adopted:

1. *Resolved*, That a vote of hearty thanks be given the pastor and congregation of Zion Reformed church, Wilkesbarre, Pa., for their kind and courteous reception of the Synod; for the use and privileges of their church; also to the choir for their assistance and excellent music.

2. *Resolved*, That this action be publicly made known to the congregation and choir by their pastor.

3. *Resolved*, That the several newspapers of Wilkesbarre be thanked for their full and prompt reports of the proceedings of the various sessions of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

4. *Resolved*, That the Stated Clerk be authorized to extend the thanks of this Synod to the General Passenger Agents of the Pennsylvania Railroad, the Philadelphia & Reading Railroad, the Lehigh Valley Railroad, and the Central Railroad of New Jersey, for courtesies granted to the members of this Synod in the form of excursion rates to its delegates.

The business of Synod being completed, the roll was called, the delegates present answered to their names. Those absent were excused. The Minutes of the day and evening sessions were read, and the Minutes as a whole adopted.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ADJOURNMENT.

The following action was adopted before adjournment, namely:

Resolved, That, when Synod adjourns finally, it be to meet in St. Mark's Reformed church, Lebanon, Pa., October 28th, 1903, at 8 P. M.

Synod adjourned finally on Monday, at 5 P. M., October 27, 1902, with religious service. The members of Synod joined in the confession of faith, the Lord's Prayer, and singing the L. M. Doxology, and was dismissed with the Apostolic Benediction by the President.

THOS. H. LEINBACH, *President*.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Official copy of the original Minutes.

Attest: JNO. PH. STEIN.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR CONGREGATIONS	MEMBERS.		ADDITIONS.			LOSERS.			SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.						
		Communicants.	Uncommunicated.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Discontinued.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Confir'm.	Deaths, Disc'd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.		Students for Ministry.	General Purposes.	Congregational Purpose.	Ministers Wanted.		
Orrin J. Becker	Howertown	2	466	376	70	29	5	13	11	4	...	7	9	11	120	...	\$400 00	\$1000 00	6	Catawqua, Pa.
D. F. Bredie, D.D.	Farmerville	3	450	400	190	32	...	23	6	25	...	11	9	24	90	...	350 00	1100 00	11	Bethlehem, Pa.
W. D. C. Rodrock	Moore Township	4	782	500	641	29	...	27	3	15	...	19	8	73	491	...	338 00	1500 00	12	Bath, Pa.
J. R. Smith, D.D.	Pleasant Valley	3	640	525	830	35	...	30	6	3	...	12	5	78	563	2	214 00	1200 00	24	Effort, Pa.
E. M. Kieffer, D.D.	First Ch., Easton	1	552	411	150	15	...	18	11	10	...	6	1	49	324	...	800 00	7500 00	14	Easton, Pa.
Willson F. More	Salem, Catawqua	1	350	299	199	34	1	17	31	15	...	10	7	30	287	...	384 32	1808 00	12	Catawqua, Pa.
G. P. Manger	Mt. Bethel	2	392	373	140	20	2	15	5	14	...	10	1	3	...	...	205 00	1045 00	20	Stone Church, Pa.
G. A. Schwedes	Christ, Bethlehem	1	570	440	230	11	...	20	23	13	...	11	1	50	...	...	690 00	5700 00	10	Bethlehem, Pa.
E. F. Leary	Broadheadville	3	639	334	644	39	...	...	1	4	...	24	9	20	411	...	188 78	2730 00	8	Broadheadville.
E. C. Weaver	Forks	1	432	370	280	25	...	24	7	1	...	4	3	25	200	...	142 40	760 00	10	Bethlehem, Pa.
W. B. Wotring, B.D.	Dryland	3	1010	740	815	52	1	58	60	9	...	10	2	26	480	1	940 00	2000 00	13	Nazareth, Pa.
George J. Lieberger	Plainfield	3	331	250	168	14	...	...	3	5	...	7	6	70	400	...	165 00	750 00	8	Wind Gap, Pa.
John F. De Long, D.D.	Freemansburg	1	185	135	80	10	...	6	5	5	...	5	1	26	250	1	200 00	4640 00	15	Bethlehem, Pa.
E. L. Kemp	Prof. S. N. S.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	E Stroudsburg, Pa.
Jacob G. Rapp	Stenton	1	365	256	143	30	...	12	24	3	...	1	1	34	308	...	322 00	2465 00	20	Northampton, Pa.
Frank H. Moyer	West Bethlehem	3	278	189	140	21	...	13	37	...	...	3	5	63	264	...	149 30	3783 83	13	W. Bethlehem, Pa.
B. Clarke Hildebrand	Stroudsburg	1	186	137	15	...	...	8	4	4	...	2	...	24	204	...	70 00	1452 00	8	Stroudsburg, Pa.
William H. Broag	Tannersville	4	478	283	197	41	1	10	9	6	1	4	9	63	358	...	103 00	840 00	12	Tannersville, Pa.
William M. Helfrich	Christ, Bath	1	245	109	100	8	...	...	5	4	...	12	...	27	175	...	309 40	1398 06	8	Bath, Pa.
Thomas A. Huber	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	S. Bethlehem, Pa.
A. O. Bartholomew	Grace, Easton	1	314	175	130	7	...	4	14	3	...	2	1	24	208	...	182 55	1066 74	8	Easton, Pa.
A. B. Erb	St. Paul, Bethlehem	1	240	201	125	15	...	16	25	3	...	3	3	30	178	...	40 00	1500 00	10	Bethlehem, Pa.
W. W. Kemagen	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Easton, Pa.
Geo. H. Sangree	St. Mark's, Easton	1	400	316	185	17	1	24	43	...	...	3	1	60	491	...	408 00	2050 71	13	Easton, Pa.
H. W. Glida	Memorial, Easton	1	240	222	115	34	2	30	39	3	...	3	2	35	253	...	90 00	1153 00	10	Easton, Pa.
J. A. Frantz	Kreidersville	3	415	375	185	36	...	...	2	2	...	17	5	50	215	...	353 00	1155 00	14	Cherryville, Pa.
E. Z. Kreege	Hamilton	1	159	110	...	3	1	10	8	1	...	21	3	26	200	...	64 31	1200 00	6	Selots, Pa.
J. M. Beaver	Bangor	1	284	217	124	24	2	25	33	6	...	...	...	37	242	...	175 77	1375 77	12	Bangor, Pa.
John N. George	Niegsfried	2	257	192	143	13	...	7	31	3	...	...	...	1	40	275	181 00	550 00	13	Niegsfried, Pa.
G. Dengler	Wellesport	1	260	146	150	18	...	11	6	6	...	...	...	1	17	175	151 00	845 00	10	Wellesport, Pa.
J. H. B. Rauch	E. Mauch Chunk	1	193	71	112	15	...	3	8	4	...	32	7	1	20	135	56 00	953 65	20	E. Mauch Chunk, Pa.
Irish H. De Long	Licentiate	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Catawqua, Pa.
A. Butz	Towamensing	3	410	325	205	35	...	30	5	2	...	20	14	7	112	740	106 39	571 08	24	Howmanstown, Pa.
C. P. Manger, supply	Pleasantville	1	53	52	29	1	...	...	...	7	...	1	...	1	10	75	10 00	160 00	6	Stone Church, Pa.
S. O. Weaver, supply	St Peter's	1	134	100	91	8	...	9	4	1	...	3	1	30	125	1	66 78	260 00	6	Bethlehem, Pa.
S. C. Weaver, supply	North Bethlehem	1	53	45	5	2	...	2	3	2	...	3	3	1	31	176	8 54	170 00	...	...
J. N. Smith, D.D.	Oxford Furnace	1	130	82	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John N. George, supply	Watersport	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

LEBANON CLASSIS

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.		ADDITIONS.			LOSERS.			SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		Minutes Waived.	POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.					
		Congregations.	Communicants.	Commended.	Uncommended.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Re-Entry of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Com'm.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.			Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Removant Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Thomas O. Leinbach.	Bernville	6	1575	1300	880	67	4	87	5	25	40	28	6	9	40	300	3	\$400 00	\$2500 00	20	Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.
Edw. H. Heister.	Without charge																			1	Strausstown, Berks Co., Pa.
John B. Albright.	Without charge																			1	Mohrsville, Berks Co., Pa.
Adam A. Schultz.	Without charge																				
Henry J. Bachman.	Schaefferstown	5	906	635	820	73	6	45	15	14		30	23	8	138	730		312 00	3500 00	24	Schaefferstown, Leb. Co., Pa.
William J. Welker.	Tulpehocken	2	854	542	291	21	1	22	4	8		10	2	4	22	285		195 00	2925 00	20	Myersstown, Leb. Co., Pa.
L. D. Stambaugh.	Sinking Spring	4	1150	974	413	81	3	65		23	79	27	13	5	131	631	1	485 00	3100 00	20	1153 SdSt., Reading, Pa.
Samuel A. Leinbach.	Womelsdorf	4	555	523	270	83		6	5	11	13	12	7	4	55	371	1	213 00	1100 00	30	Hehrersburg, Berks Co., Pa.
Thomas A. Leinbach.	Bern	2	940	900	410	82	2	60	2	40	119	36	2	6	50	450	2	535 00	1400 00	19	320 N 5th St., Reading, Pa.
D. Barnett Klopp.	Bethany	3	64	60	134	9			2	10			2	2	8	131		153 98	105 56	10	Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.
Jon. V. George, D.D.	Without charge																				Lebanon, Pa.
L. Calvin Fisher.	Allegheny	5	722	689	160	32	3	39	1	31	53	15	1	6	35	201		350 00	1350 00	24	228 N 3d St., Reading, Pa.
Henry Hubich.	St Mark's, Lebanon	1	608	517	339	44	5	40	28	13	16	2		1	56	76		504 00	6875 00	10	752 Millin St., Lebanon, Pa.
U. Henry Hellman.	Without charge																				Fredericksburg, Leb. Co., Pa.
Willson D. Donat.	Swatara	4	445	350	264	9		18	4	5											Jonestown, Leb. Co., Pa.
J. Lewis Finck.	Myersstown	1	485	405	82	14	1	11	14	4	29	5	9	1	50	349		352 00	2401 00	12	Myersstown, Leb. Co., Pa.
Edward S. Bromer.	Taber, Lebanon.	1	723	610	390	28	4	23	19	3		15	4	1	80	768	1	1176 00	3200 00	12	1024 Chest. St., Lebanon, Pa.
Henry A. Keyser, D.D.	Bethel	4	600	505	400	16		10	1	5		18	1					112 00	1000 00	15	Fredericksburg, Leb. Co., Pa.
D. K. Laudenlager.	Campbellstown	2	214	205	113	7	15	34	15	9		4		1	45	245		166 68	1407 41	18	Palmira, Leb. Co., Pa.
William F. DeLong.	Annyville	2	320	308	150	14	8	28	16	3		5	4	3	67	372		508 00	845 39	12	Annyville, Leb. Co., Pa.
V. W. Dippell, Ph.D.	St. John's, Lebanon	1	250	172	100	6		8	8	7		2	1	1	18	221		55 00	1279 00	6	Myersstown Leb. Co., Pa.
H. J. Welker (supply).	Grace, Avon.	1	141	121	49	7	1	7	5	1		7		3	42	164		33 35	283 00	7	Hamburg, Berks Co., Pa.
E. E. Appel (supply).	Sharville & Kinsinger	2	178	164	130	15				2											Lebanon, Leb. Co., Pa.
Walter E. Garrett, Lic.																					Berroville, Berks Co., Pa.
Paul J. Dundore, Lic.																					
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Paul J. Dundore was dismissed to Lancaster Classis, Eastern Synod, May 14, 1902.
 Lic. Walter E. Garrett was dismissed to Juniata Classis, Synod of the Potomac, June 14, 1902.
 Lic.

PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.			LOSERS.			SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		Minutes Wanted.				
		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Resure of Name.	Deaths, Com'm.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.		Students for Ministry.	Sabbidulant Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Joseph B. Hendricks, D.D.	Collegeville	81	420	361	..	7	..	8	2	1	..	1	3	8	44	421	..	\$1561 00	\$1690 00	25
Edward D. Miller	St. Peter's, Pikeland	1	45	40	1	..	..	8	2	..	..	..	1	12	28	..	8	90 00	810 00	6
James Crawford, D.D.	Christ Ch., Phila.	1	200	160	35	1	..	9	..	..	2	..	1	10	80	..	13	1735 00	5578 00	12
Isaiah D. Detrich	St. Luke's, N. Wales	1	205	177	46	9	4	5	8	..	2	4	1	24	281	..	6	200 00	1350 00	6
John H. Becker, D.D.	Prof. in Ur. S. of T.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Henry T. Spangler, D.D.	Pres. Uraious Coll.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Orish Weldner	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
David M. Dittmar	F. Sec. B. of H. M.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Charles H. Olson, D.D.	Trinity, Philadelphia	1	560	406	..	30	10	28	6	..	12	6	1	55	610	1	20	1005 00	5700 00	20
Jerome B. Henry	Trinity, Norristown	1	843	263	101	9	6	11	7	1	..	4	1	34	481	..	10	174 00	3741 00	10
Abraham B. Stover	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
David V. Wolf, D.D.	Boehm's	1	900	264	49	8	5	11	6	4	..	15	1	28	146	..	16	884 00	1428 00	16
Henry F. Seiple	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Joseph F. Butler	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Joseph J. Munser	Ed. "Ref. O. Mos."	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Cyrus A. Long, Ph.D.	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
William A. Zartman, D.D.	Heidelberg	1	761	675	175	28	8	16	29	84	..	54	2	50	955	1	20	1225 00	5562 00	20
George O. Zartman, D.D.	V.-P. Temple Coll.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Henry A. Bomberger, D.D.	St. Luke's, Trappe	1	298	237	60	9	8	18	10	10	4	..	1	28	144	..	15	2006 00	1984 00	15
Ellis L. Meesinger	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Aaron Noll	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Amos Delaney	Shenkel's	1	115	80	54	3	1	1	6	..	..	..	3	16	143	..	..	111 00	833 00	9
George H. Miller	Without charge.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Charles B. Webster	Without charge.	1	261	164	96	19	8	21	23	6	..	14	3	31	204	..	13	200 00	2626 00	13
Charles B. Alsopach	Grace	1	908	585	257	23	10	27	20	8	..	9	2	52	636	1	15	821 00	5778 00	15
Albert S. Bromer	St. John's, Pho'ville	1	238	175	107	23	1	7	7	..	1	3	1	24	153	..	12	172 00	2157 00	12
Charles H. Brandt	Asst. to W. Chapman
Parley M. Zartman
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OFFICE ADDRESS.

PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS. (Continued.)

MINISTERS.		NAMES OF CHURCHES OR CONGREGATIONS.		MEMBERS.		ADDITIONS.				LOSERS.				SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.
Communicants.	Congregation.	Commenced.	Uncommenced.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof.	Discontinued.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Com'm.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Home-sent Per-sons.	Congregational Purpose.		
Edward F. Wiest.	First Ch., Phila.	206	66	12	9	24	41	0	10	2	...	1	86	811	...	554 00	2354 00	16 1206 Wallace St., Phila., Pa.
Harry E. Jones.	Palatinate	125	28	16	8	8	16	8	1	1	2	1	80	310	2	150 00	2065 00	12 5310 Master St., Phila., Pa.
Charles H. Slinghoff.	Brownback's	240	55	10	14	20	22	1	2	1	...	2	34	262	1	100 00	1150 00	18 Spring City, Pa., B. F. D. I.
Elwood W. Middleton.	Toga	152	85	8	...	3	11	2	10	1	...	1	27	265	...	219 00	2112 00	14 2122 N. Camac St., Phila., Pa.
Calvin D. Yeat.	Pleasantville	291	100	2	...	2	5	4	1	...	1	1	19	108	...	323 00	1735 00	10 Bureka, Montg. Co., Pa.
Ernest O. Solt.	St. Matthew's	228	187	45	3	3	2	1	1	6	2	2	40	260	...	303 00	1694 00	18 Anselma, Chest. Co., Pa.
Harry W. Bright.	Ascension	208	72	7	5	12	7	5	2	4	1	1	37	265	1	415 00	2725 00	15 Norristown, Pa.
Reuben Bates.	Christ Ch., No'town	174	85	9	2	8	14	1	1	...	5	1	23	269	...	223 00	3508 00	10 Norristown, Pa.
J. M. R. Lamborg, B.D.	First Ch., Spg. City	398	65	14	9	12	5	8	4	7	2	1	43	493	...	755 00	3400 00	13 Spring City, Chest. Co., Pa.
Howard H. Long.	St. Vincent	134	44	0	1	4	...	...	...	3	3	1	20	132	...	161 00	1102 00	15 Spring City, Chest. Co., Pa.
Thomas L. Bichel.	Linfield	82	20	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	20	101	...	...	129 00	6
Jacob N. Faust.	St. John's, Phila.	277	40	7	2	3	35	12	...	3	5	1	20	105	...	173 00	1577 00	12 4016 Baring St., Phila., Pa.
Stephen Vireg.	East Vincent	128	71	0	...	...	...	1	2	2	...	1	16	120	...	123 00	703 00	13 Phoenixville, Pa.
John O. Beagle.	Hun. Ref., Trenton	200	156	18	...	8	25	45	...	4	...	1	...	18	...	59 00	1152 00	12 180 Home Av., Trenton, N. J.
Vacant.	Gethany Tabernacle	149	51	5	4	11	9	0	3	2	...	1	27	208	1	96 00	2943 00	13 2411 N. 20th St., Phila., Pa.
Vacant.	Calvary	186	64	15	3	6	10	14	...	2	2	1	30	211	...	123 00	1554 00	10
Vacant.	St. John's, Del.	53	13	3	3	7	20	...	...	1	...	1	13	69	...	...	169 00	13 Wyoming, Del.
Vacant.	Hung., Phoenixville	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vacant.	Bethel	85	70	8	2	6	13	7	...	...	1	1	13	152	1	88 00	1109 00	15
Vacant.	Oak Lane	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Robert J. Hill, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wm. T. Buchanan, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harvey G. Kopenhafer	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
86	5049	5552	1990	351	101	329	398	207	1153	84	44	86	520	3890	9	\$15023 00	\$75223 00	408

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PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS.

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		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Reception of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Com. Ca.	Deaths, Unrec'd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Benefactor Pur.			Congregational Purpose.
Joseph H. Hendricks, D.D.	Collegeville	420	361	7	1	20	27	9	6	1	1	9	44	421	\$1551 00	\$1630 00	25	Collegeville, Mont. Co., Pa.
Edward D. Miller	St. Peter's, Pikeland	1	45	40	1	1	3	3	2	2	2	1	12	28	30 00	310 00	8	W. Pikeland, Chest. Co., Pa.
James Crawford, D.D.	Christ Ch., Phila.	1	180	85	1	1	8	8	3	1	3	1	10	60	1735 00	5576 00	12	1714 Mt Vernon St., Phila., Pa.
Jonah D. Detrich	St. Luke's, N. Wales	1	205	177	48	9	4	5	3	3	2	4	24	221	209 00	1250 00	6	Flourtown, Mont. Co., Pa.
John H. Bechler, D.D.	Prof. to Dr. B. of T.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3404 Powelton Ave., Phila., Pa.
Henry T. Spangler, D.D.	Free, Utricus Coll.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Collegeville, Montg. Co., Pa.
Uriah Weldner	Without charge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Montgomery Sq., Mont. Co., Pa.
David N. Dittmar	F. Sec. B. of H. M.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Jefferson, Fredk. Co., Md.
Charles H. Coon, D.D.	Trinity, Philadelphia	1	500	406	30	10	28	10	6	13	6	1	55	610	1005 00	5700 00	20	1541 N. 7th St., Phila., Pa.
Jerome B. Henry	Trinity, Norristown	1	842	263	101	6	11	7	1	1	4	1	84	481	174 00	3741 00	10	Norristown, Montg. Co., Pa.
Adam B. Stoner	Without charge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Collegeville, Montg. Co., Pa.
David U. Wolf, D.D.	Boehm's	1	200	264	49	3	5	11	6	4	15	4	23	146	894 00	1428 00	16	Blue Bell, Montg. Co., Pa.
Henry F. Belpie	Without charge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Silverdale, Bucks Co., Pa.
Joseph F. Butler	Without charge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Collegeville, Montg. Co., Pa.
James J. Mueser	Ed. "Ref. O. Men."	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1908 Arch St., Phila., Pa.
Cyrus A. Long, Ph.D.	Without charge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Philadelphia, Pa.
William A. Long, Ph.D.	Without charge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1815 Oxford St., Phila., Pa.
James O. Sartman, D.D.	Heldelberg	1	761	675	175	25	5	18	30	54	54	12	50	956	1235 00	5592 00	20	2112 N. 17th St., Phila., Pa.
Henry A. Bomberger, D.D.	V. P. Temple Coll.	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Trappe, Montg. Co., Pa.
Edgar L. Meadager	St. Luke's, Trappe	1	208	227	40	9	8	13	10	10	4	1	23	144	2624 00	1984 00	15	West Milton, Pa.
Aaron Noll	Without charge	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1815 S. 20th St., Phila., Pa.
Wilson Delaney	Without charge	1	115	69	54	3	1	1	6	1	1	1	2	143	111 00	553 00	9	Pottstown, Pa.
George H. Miller	Shenkel's	1	267	184	66	19	3	21	22	8	14	1	31	204	209 00	2628 00	12	2138 S. 18th St., Phila., Pa.
Charles E. Wahler	Without charge	1	305	257	23	10	37	20	5	5	9	7	21	636	531 00	5778 00	15	11th & Huntingdon Sts., Phila.
Charles E. Alsop	Grace	1	226	176	107	23	1	7	7	1	1	1	24	158	173 00	2157 00	12	Phoenixville, Pa.
Albert B. Bruner	St. John's, Pbo'ville	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	302 N. 91st St., New York.
Charles H. Brandt	Amet. to W. Chapman	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	302 N. 91st St., New York.
Henry M. Sartman	St. Paul's, Ft. Was.	1	245	195	56	4	1	1	4	1	3	1	19	111	765 00	1785 00	9	Ft. Washington, Montg. Co., Pa.
Fredrick A. Rapley, Jr.		1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	

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		Communicants.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificates or Re-entrals of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Rescued or Redeemed.	Deaths, Com'ls.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Benefactor Per-cent.	Congregational Purpose.				
Edward F. Wiser.	First Ch., Phila.	308	66	13	9	24	41	9	15	2	3	...	1	35	311	...	554 00	2254 00	18	1804 Wallace St., Phila., Pa.	
Harry B. Jones.	Palatinate	135	122	16	8	8	16	6	1	1	1	...	1	30	310	2	150 00	3365 00	12	6310 Master St., Phila., Pa.	
Charles H. Slingboff.	Brownback's	260	55	10	14	20	23	1	2	1	...	...	2	34	253	1	100 00	1150 00	16	Spring City, Pa., R.F.D. 1.
Elwood W. Middleton.	Tloga	133	65	8	...	3	11	2	10	1	...	...	1	27	235	...	219 00	2113 00	14	3122 N Camac St., Phila., Pa.
Calvin D. Kent.	Phoenixville	291	100	8	...	2	6	4	1	...	...	...	1	19	106	...	323 00	1735 00	10	Eureka, Montg. Co., Pa.
Monnet O. Solt.	St. Matthew's	226	157	45	2	3	2	1	1	...	...	...	2	40	200	...	206 00	1634 00	18	Anselma, Chest. Co., Pa.
Harry W. Bright.	Ascension	209	237	72	5	12	7	6	2	4	1	...	1	37	265	1	415 00	2725 00	15	Norristown, Pa.	
Reuben Bates.	Christ Ch., Mo'town	174	135	63	9	2	14	1	1	...	...	...	5	29	259	...	328 00	2398 00	10	Norristown, Pa.
J. M. A. Isenberg, R.D.	First Ch., Spg. City	208	240	66	14	13	6	6	4	7	2	...	1	43	468	...	755 00	3400 00	15	Spring City, Chest. Co., Pa.	
Howard H. Long.	St. Vincent.	184	100	44	6	4	...	...	...	3	3	...	1	20	182	...	161 00	1102 00	16	Spring City, Chest. Co., Pa.
..... (Supply)	Linfield	32	20	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	20	101	...	...	129 00	6	
Thomas L. Michel.	St. John's, Phila.	277	196	40	7	8	25	13	...	3	5	...	1	20	195	...	175 00	1577 00	13	4016 Baring St., Phila., Pa.	
Jacob N. Faust.	Hart Vincent.	138	71	60	8	...	...	1	2	2	...	...	1	18	120	...	133 00	703 00	12	Phoenixville, Pa.
Stephen Virag.	Hon. Ref., Trenton	200	156	18	37	8	25	45	...	4	...	...	1	...	18	...	59 00	1153 00	12	180 Home Av., Trenton, N.J.
John O. Reagle.	Bethany Tabernacle	148	121	61	5	4	11	9	3	3	...	...	1	27	206	1	56 00	2343 00	13	2411 N. 30th St., Phila., Pa.
Vacant.	Calvary	136	84	15	3	6	10	14	...	2	2	...	1	30	311	...	132 00	1534 00	10		
Vacant.	St. John's, Del.	58	32	12	3	7	20	...	...	1	...	...	1	13	69	...	...	169 00	13	Wyoming, Del.
Vacant.	Hartg., Phoenixville	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Vacant.	Bethel	36	70	8	2	6	13	7	...	1	1	...	1	13	182	1	58 00	1109 00	15		
Vacant.	Oak Lane.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Robert J. Hill, Lic.	Palatinate.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wm. T. Buchanan, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Harvey G. Kopenhaver	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
		36	5049	6852	1990	351	151	1823	368	207	1	155	84	64	86	620	8359	9	\$15028 00	\$73235 00	408

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LANCASTER CLASSIS.

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		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Renewal of Prof.	Displaced.	Recommenced.	Deaths, Com'ta.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.		Students for Ministry.	Benefactorial Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.				
Alt. El. Hiebsman, Ph.D.	2d Ch., Harrisburg	1	267	185	141	3	4	6	11	5	...	2	3	1	42	351	330 94	2850 00	20 Harrisburg, Pa.		
Samuel H. Dietzel, Ph.D.	Maytown	1	105	78	60	6	1	1	4	4	2	2	1	22	87	88 65	728 00	10 Maytown, Pa.	
Benjamin M. Meyer	Christ Ch., Ell'town	1	229	183	80	11	4	9	4	4	1	3	1	1	24	140	220 00	4386 00	12 Elizabethtown, Pa.		
Louis C. Harsh	Hummelstown	2	204	160	100	6	4	2	4	6	3	2	...	2	43	176	315 00	1165 00	20 Hummelstown, Pa.		
William Yenser	Marietta	1	196	102	76	18	4	6	8	2	...	2	7	1	23	155	...	1000 00	8 Marietta, Pa.		
George W. Walsh	Manheim	2	358	235	120	3	11	14	6	5	15	10	2	2	40	276	299 00	1764 00	18 Manheim, Pa.		
Frederick O. Bullboert	Bethany	3	202	160	80	11	3	12	19	1	9	10	3	2	21	225	45 00	900 00	9 Ephrata, Pa.		
J. Rauch Stein	St. John's Harrisb.	1	117	88	87	18	1	4	16	2	...	2	7	1	31	200	104 08	1408 84	15 Harrisburg, Pa.		
Daniel G. Glass	Faith Ch., Lan'ster	1	140	116	140	26	11	28	11	...	3	2	6	1	45	290	102 80	2028 77	12 Lancaster, Pa.		
J. Hunter Watts	St. Andrew's, Lan'r	1	154	117	26	4	4	15	12	...	4	...	...	1	32	221	104 86	300 00	8 Lancaster, Pa.
Hermann A. Shelley	Willow Street	2	141	106	30	4	...	...	5	5	...	3	...	1	43	214	165 79	701 00	16 Willow Street, Pa.
Robert F. Reed	Swingli, Harrisburg	1	78	54	39	3	3	3	3	...	...	2	...	1	16	72	76 00	382 71	7 Harrisburg, Pa.
Allen K. Faust	Missionary to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sendai, Japan.
Albert N. Stubblebine	St. Paul's, Qua'ville	1	150	125	...	1	11	8	7	1	...	2	...	1	18	118	117 70	1078 01	3 Quarryville, Pa.		
Henry B. Kreider	Shoop's	3	198	102	116	9	3	13	4	...	...	1	...	3	62	290	100 17	219 03	14 Penbrook, Pa.
Wm. Stuart Cramer	Aust. to Dr. Tilsal.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Paul J. Dundore	Armstrong Valley	6	162	100	56	4	...	20	13	...	15	5	4	3	30	96	73 76	336 24	24 Fisherville, Pa.		
Ldc. J. B. Kleiser, Ph.D.	Prof. in F. & M. O.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Ldc. Anselm V. Riehtar	Prof. in F. & M. O.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Ldc. Thaddeus G. Helm	Prof. in F. & M. A.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Ldc. Paul L. Gerhard	Missionary to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sendai, Japan.
Ldc. Charles W. B. Long	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Ldc. Stephen L. Flickinger	Reinhold Station, Pa.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Ministers, 44.	Ldc., 6.	51	7526	5855	3130	290	163	329	267	116	...	23	129	66	47	1081	6852	3	97745 84	940185 63	400

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EAST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

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		Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Re-ception of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Com'ta.	Deaths, Uncl'd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.		Beneficial Pur-poses.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Wanted.	
Aaron B. Hottenstein.	Mahavoy	51	406	366	186	37	..	17	6	3	..	3	5	7	133	240	..	\$224 15	\$1171 00	24	Mahavoy, Northd Co., Pa.
Simon F. Brown.	Uniontown	4	435	390	366	30	..	27	..	3	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	334 71	6800 00	20	Pulley, Dauphin Co., Pa.
Joseph H. Schlapplach	Without charge .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	McKeesport, Pa.
Charles B. Schneider.	Shamokin	1	684	763	784	130	4	68	30	11	..	25	10	3	88	1277	..	1267 00	6400 00	25	Shamokin, Northd. Co., Pa.
Lewis D. Steckel.	Without charge .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Lykens, Dauphin Co., Pa.
Isaac M. Schaeffer.	Ashland	1	613	457	447	55	..	48	28	7	..	21	14	2	35	333	1	522 00	4605 00	15	Ashland, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Samuel F. Hartsell	Without charge .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Fredericksburg, Pa.
Oliver F. Schaeffer.	Deep Creek	6	376	258	147	27	1	23	2	4	..	..	6	1	60	334	..	219 00	1004 00	20	Heigins, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Leiton M. Fetterolf.	Lykens and Tower C	2	166	142	195	20	2	28	8	5	..	8	6	2	34	205	..	146 25	1672 00	16	Lykens, Dauphin Co., Pa.
Jonathan W. Buck.	Without charge .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Plainfield, N. J.
George S. Butz.	Paxinos-Augusta	6	307	315	194	25	..	5	9	3	..	..	9	4	54	257	..	300 53	1591 00	22	Paxinos, Northd. Co., Pa.
Clement D. Kresler.	Lino Mountain	7	443	327	451	73	..	19	1	..	..	..	6	13	182	400	..	240 00	800 00	45	Lock Hill, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Montgomery M. Fryer	Without charge .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Millersburg, Pa.
Albert Gomer.	Mt. Carmel	1	189	121	122	37	..	..	7	3	..	34	1	1	24	203	..	68 50	1776 00	9	Mt. Carmel, Pa.
Robert O'Boyle.	Sunbury	1	376	320	273	8	4	14	18	3	..	..	5	10	29	301	..	330 00	2462 77	12	Sunbury, Northd Co., Pa.
A. Thos. G. Apple.	Catawissa	1	181	111	104	18	..	8	2	6	..	1	5	1	18	134	..	212 83	762 54	12	Catawissa, Columb. Co., Pa.
Samuel H. Isenberg, Ph.D.	Millersburg	3	431	351	265	18	1	17	12	12	..	1	4	3	59	415	..	302 00	1308 00	13	Millersburg, Daup Co., Pa.
J. Alvin Reber.	Malurville	4	370	266	130	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	8	2	12	120	..	24 00	375 00	12	Mainville, Columb. Co., Pa.
Geo. W. Royer.	Ringtown	3	340	276	230	15	..	14	7	9	..	..	7	2	3	..	..	366 00	1010 00	14	Ringtown, Schuyl. Co., Pa.
Irwia M. Beckman.	Numidia	3	380	306	190	15	..	8	9	5	..	4	9	2	34	328	..	126 00	1123 00	14	Newlin, Columb. Co., Pa.
Adam Zimmerman.	Lykens Valley	4	490	410	..	19	..	11	4	4	..	..	3	1	45	..	..	113 00	320 00	32	Elizabethtown, Pa.
Vacant	McAdoo	2	127	92	82	34	1	25	..	..	..	..	2	1	..	..	..	13 00	516 00	20	McAdoo, Pa.
A. Gomer (supply)	Hope Cong.	1	20	16	15	3	..	..	1	..	..	1	..	1	10	25	..	1 50	60 00	4	Mt. Carmel, Pa.
51.	17.	54	6476	5186	4204	547	13	329	134	77	..	98	95	94	783	4641	2	\$4707 37	\$33164 31	334	

WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

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		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificates of Re- newal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommended.	Deaths, Com'm.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.		Students for Ministry.	Benefactor Pur- poses.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Wanted.
D. M. Wolf, D.D.	Princ. S. M. Acad	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Spring Mills, Pa.
W. W. Closser.	Without charge.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	White Deer, Pa.
W. A. Haas.	Bellinagro	465	440	366	15	2	18	4	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Bellinagro, Pa.
A. A. Black.	Boalsburg	455	333	239	19	1	16	10	11	14	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	Boalsburg, Pa.
E. B. Kohler.	New Berlin	575	354	220	35	...	14	2	10	...	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	New Berlin, Pa.
P. W. Brown	Aaronsburg	335	235	242	26	1	6	12	14	...	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	Aaronsburg, Pa.
Jan. M. Rankle.	Williamsport	1	275	230	8	...	12	5	10	12	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	Williamsport, Pa.
M. W. Schweitzer	Without charge.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Danville, Pa.
H. H. Spahn	Beaver Springs	591	531	189	45	4	33	2	21	17	32	...	...	...	...	...	...	Beaver Springs, Pa.
George W. Kerchner	Centre Hall	4	376	312	97	5	7	16	12	...	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	Centre Hall, Pa.
Harvey I. Crow	Mittany Valley	5	332	201	20	2	23	24	17	9	8	...	...	...	...	...	...	Hablersburg, Pa.
William E. Hoy	Missionary to China	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Yocbow, Bunan, China
Frank Wetzel	Rebersburg	5	414	396	26	1	15	13	7	2	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	Rebersburg, Pa.
E. Otis Spensard, P.L.D.	Middsburg	1	337	316	150	7	13	12	15	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	Middsburg, Pa.
B. Leighton Gerhart, D.D.	Lewisburg	1	280	235	75	5	8	13	3	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lewisburg, Pa.
David I. Schaeffer	Liverpool	7	264	228	247	17	4	16	6	57	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.
Ambruse M. Schmidt	Bellefonte	3	200	223	130	10	5	9	10	5	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	Bellefonte, Pa.
Warren J. Johnson	Lock Haven	1	253	197	150	2	3	23	2	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lock Haven, Pa.
J. W. Aberton	Buffalo Valley	3	120	59	70	...	...	12	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Laurelton, Pa.
Edwin T. Rhodes	Trinity, Lewisburg	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lewisburg, Pa.
Joseph M. Bean	Susquehanna	2	90	32	4	...	...	...	7	20	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	Montgomery, Pa.
Vacant	White Deer	4	345	264	115	...	...	...	12	5	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	West Milton, Pa.
Ministers, 21.	12.	61	5069	4532	2310	260	21199	1661	102	149	133	58	57	786	4911	8	\$3201 05	\$30455 49	317

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		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Re-oval of Prop'n.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Conf'm.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.		Students for Ministry.				
Jacob Kebm.....	Tohickon	486	437	285	28	4	30	2	2	..	13	2	2	33	276	..	\$102 61	\$1228 78	18 Sellersville, Pa.	
Nathaniel Z. Snyder, D.D.	Salisbury	97	49	60	11	..	..	4	2	..	2	1	2	48	170	..	44 15	169 00	8 South Bethlehem, Pa.	
Franklin J. Mohr.....	Quakertown	541	485	245	21	3	28	11	8	..	14	7	4	46	525	1	518 00	2136 00	18 Quakertown, Pa.	
Abraham B. Kniffin, D.D.	Lower Saucon.	641	557	278	23	..	15	11	9	..	6	12	6	107	557	1	478 26	1270 00	24 Hellertown, Pa.	
Benjamin B. Ferrer, D.D.	Ellegersville	388	242	210	7	..	..	9	4	..	..	..	..	1	28	2..	2590 00	1476 00	12 Ellegersville, Pa.	
Jacob J. Rothrock.....	Lansdale	361	281	70	9	11	15	6	5	..	2	5	1	1	20	321	..	876 10	2083 40	10 Lansdale, Pa.
Jacob G. Debbas.....	Friedensville	835	677	527	32	..	..	14	8	..	..	14	8	7	38	371	..	218 00	1389 00	22 Coopersburg, Pa.
Alfred P. Horn.....	Springfield	527	380	280	23	..	2	2	6	..	..	7	..	3	26	130	..	106 07	900 00	20 Hellertown, Pa.
Henry F. Loug, D.D.	Tinicum	268	255	185	11	..	9	2	15	..	11	19	4	2	20	200	..	70 00	700 00	14 Freshtown, N. J.
Charles B. Weaver.....	Nockamixon	610	457	228	21	1	13	15	8	..	2	15	..	6	92	509	..	282 00	1124 00	13 Ferndale, Pa.
David Scheffer.....	South Bethlehem	491	208	335	45	..	8	4	12	..	44	5	7	2	67	403	..	45 42	2908 03	12 South Bethlehem, Pa.
B. Franklin Luckenbill...	Indian Creek.....	606	542	295	21	4	11	10	3	..	..	11	11	3	54	425	..	836 13	2165 53	30 Souderton, Pa.
William H. Mader.....	South Easton.....	313	210	178	12	1	23	6	8	..	8	1	1	1	20	180	2	121 00	1050 00	12 Easton, Pa.
James B. Bergey.....	Doylertown	285	288	144	12	8	18	11	5	..	2	8	2	1	30	283	..	176 00	2336 00	12 Doylertown, Pa.
John A. Mertz.....	Durham	461	355	218	11	1	4	7	5	..	8	4	2	3	67	293	1	323 00	3000 00	19 Durham, Pa.
John O. Lindeman.....	Hilltown	480	380	240	8	16	34	7	10	..	..	2	1	2	19	280	..	086 00	1308 00	21 Perkase, Pa.
George G. Greenswald...	Sellersville	320	276	150	6	..	8	7	..	..	..	3	5	2	20	350	1	219 62	7185 70	18 Sellersville, Pa.
Henry A. I. Benner.....	Trumbauersville ..	637	577	453	26	1	27	8	4	..	4	14	5	4	55	428	1	105 50	2947 00	27 Richard Center, Pa.
B. Howard Roth.....	Perkasie	268	215	105	0	1	3	20	2	..	..	2	1	1	46	371	..	225 58	1137 09	10 Perkasie, Pa.
Edwin M. Hartman.....	Lancaster .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	Lancaster, Pa.
Ministers, 19.		3032	2656	1325	240	51	249	180	111	..	108	188	62	48	809	6429	7	\$7212 34	\$57478 53	315

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		Commenced.	Discontinued.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Re-baptism.	Discontinued.	Resignation of Name.	Deaths, Com'ns.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Benefactor Per.	Congregational Purpose.	
L. Kuyder Evans, D.D.	Trinity, Pottstown.	733	506	26	8	30	8	10	...	18	20	2	68	...	\$685 00	\$5800 00	18 Pottstown, Pa.
Alonso M. E. Huber.	Went's	450	130	13	6	12	1	3	...	13	5	2	51	...	280 00	1100 10	13 Skippack, Pa.
Ell Keller, D.D.	Without charge.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Isaac S. Stabr.	Oley	750	333	48	1	44	6	5	...	15	5	4	73	...	515 00	7297 00	15 Oley, Pa.
Charles S. Wileand.	Zion's, Pottstown.	458	350	245	2	20	14	5	...	5	5	1	38	...	352 00	1050 00	10 Pottstown, Pa.
Joseph B. Freeman.	Boyetown.	443	288	208	11	15	8	5	...	10	5	2	30	...	309 00	1838 00	9 Boyertown, Pa.
J. M. Freeman, supply.	Sassaman's.	130	101	72	5	...	2	2	...	...	...	1	11	...	32 00	268 00	7 Boyertown, Pa.
J. Leclan Ronah.	Old Goeshenhoppen.	574	501	380	12	37	9	5	...	...	...	4	109	...	421 00	5122 00	15 Pennsburg, Pa.
S. L. Roub, supply.	Keeler's.	253	165	9	...	...	1	2	...	5	2	1	36	...	308 00	421 00	5 Pennsburg, Pa.
George W. Roth.	Swamp-Amity.	505	455	118	...	15	15	10	...	14	2	3	55	...	371 00	2164 00	24 Boyertown, Pa.
George B. Walbert.	New Goeshenhoppen.	850	694	300	34	21	11	5	...	13	...	1	49	...	2001 00	1772 00	16 East Greenville, Pa.
William B. Werner.	Schwenksville.	482	326	294	4	21	4	1	...	4	...	2	40	...	518 00	1051 00	16 Schwenksville, Pa.
Thomas H. Leinbach.	Ot. Swamp-Chl. HU	524	455	215	...	29	6	7	...	16	...	2	44	...	654 00	1830 00	18 Spunnersville, Pa.
Edwin W. Lentz.	Boyetown.	177	121	97	5	6	4	6	...	...	...	1	30	...	205 00	1777 00	12 Boyertown, Pa.
Orville R. Frantz.	Zionsville.	770	507	335	4	30	6	10	...	14	7	5	31	...	404 00	1252 00	24 Old Zionsville, Pa.
O. R. Frantz, supply.	Christ.	145	87	3	2	6	...	1	...	5	...	1	17	...	44 00	355 00	...
J. Frank Dechant, Lic.	Em. Agt., S. B. Bd.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1808 Archst., Phila., Pa.
William O. Slough, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Worcester, Pa.
J. Newton Kugler, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Landolt, Pa.
Ministers, 13. Lic. 8	...	127	735	5070	2776	251	24	265	86	135	65	50	632	4455	2	\$7315 00	\$33097 00

and dismissed to Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod, the same day.

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MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.			LOSERS.				SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		Minutes Wanted.		
		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Com'g.	Deaths, Un'cd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Bereavement Purposes.		Congregational Purposes.	
A. Hosta.....	Orangeville	315	82	11	8	15	6	7	1	1	1	4	75	251	11	4223 00	8905 00	11	Orangeville, Pa.
A. M. Macouhelter, Ph.D.	Weatherly	335	240	41	1	37	14	8	1	1	1	4	17	444	12	233 00	1236 00	12	Weatherly, Pa.
D. W. Ebert, D.D.	Milton	409	278	172	4	4	11	6	1	1	1	1	30	296	12	471 00	2368 00	12	Milton, Pa.
O. W. E. Seigel	Without charge.....																		York, Pa.
F. H. Buloff..	Nanticoke	143	123	157	18	12	5	8	1	1	1	1	23	93	10	209 00	1885 00	10	Nanticoke, Pa.
G. C. Meckel.	Retired																		Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
O. H. Herbel..	West Hazleton.....	150	170	23	1	24	6	10	1	1	1	1	53	275	12	175 00	1377 00	12	West Hazleton, Pa.
W. D. Happel	Wilkes-Barre	355	269	265	14	11	7	5	1	1	1	1	29	250	10	267 00	4150 00	10	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
W. H. Dieffenbacher	Without charge.....																		Jerseytown, Pa.
E. B. Stoffel.	Immanuel's, Hazl'n	363	250	28	1	10	15	31	1	1	1	1	23	388	15	529 00	3318 00	15	Hazleton, Pa.
G. H. Loos.	Without charge.....																		Sellingrove, Pa.
W. H. Herbat.	Wapwallopen	442	340	25	1	16	5	8	1	1	1	1	53	587	32	756 00	1017 00	32	Wapwallopen, Pa.
A. W. Bell	Immanuel's	284	241	217	10	1	14	9	1	1	1	1	32	249	15	307 00	803 00	15	Strawberry Ridge, Pa.
J. B. Kerschner.	Freeland	453	340	345	40	11	23	2	1	1	1	1	35	314	15	509 31	2080 00	15	Freeland, Pa.
William Toennle	Grace, Hazleton.....	435	290	365	45	31	2	2	1	1	1	1	40	440	8	298 65	4683 00	8	Hazleton, Pa.
W. W. Reinecke	St. John's	377	297	240	30	34	1	4	1	1	1	1	30	450	12	490 00	800 00	12	St. John's, Pa.
J. D. Thomas, Ph.D.	Bloomsburg	175	154	67	6	5	7	2	1	1	1	1	19	156	10	193 00	1095 00	10	Bloomsburg, Pa.
J. D. Lerch.	Mauadale	200	155	77	12	16	7	10	1	1	1	1	27	176	12	150 50	627 73	12	Danville, Pa.
O. L. Piro	Scranton	110	93	53	6	2	6	8	1	1	1	1	12	97	12	123 00	1110 00	12	911 Monroe Av., Scranton, Pa.
M. S. Noll	Fayette	108	66	34	14	4	2	2	1	1	1	1	10	94	8	63 00	635 00	8	Fayette, N. Y.
M. S. Lambert.	Danville	321	247	113	18	35	10	9	1	1	1	1	24	183	25	389 00	1616 00	25	Danville, Pa.
G. H. Hoover.	Overton	240	150	153	16	53	1	3	1	1	1	1	84	192	8	124 50	747 00	8	DuShore, Pa.
F. E. Correll.	Conyngham	351	234	220	23	14	5	8	1	1	1	1	83	406	18	193 07	787 54	18	Conyngham, Pa.
O. O. Stem.	Paradies	431	307	203	8	4	13	14	1	1	1	1	45	233	16	459 00	2537 00	16	Tarbotville, Pa.
M. Beck.	Watsonstown	524	274	247	2	16	28	9	1	1	1	1	45	306	17	238 00	1166 00	17	Watsonstown, Pa.
H. Mutschler.	St. Luke's	83	65	11	1	6	14	1	1	1	1	1	14	108	8	37 90	561 63	8	549 N Frank St., Wilkes-Barre
O. H. Hoch.	Plymouth	148	94	122	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	8	100	10	7 52	390 46	10	Plymouth, Pa.
E. Adams	Berwick																		Berwick, Pa.
J. Hosta, supply	Brier Creek.....	34	27	12	1	3	1	2	1	1	1	1			2	19 00	65 00	2	Orangeville, Pa.
M. Beck, supply	St. John's, Del. Rev.																134 00	6	Watsontown, Pa.
C. Mueselman, Lac.																			

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MINISTERS.	NAME OF CHURCH OR CONGREGATION.	MEMBERS.		ADDITIONS.				LOSERS.			SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		POST-OFFICE ADDRESS.			
		Communicants.	Confirmed.	Transferred.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Cann. Germany.	Certificate or Re-natal of Prof'n.	Released.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Com's.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Stipends for Ministry.		General For- purpose.	Congregational Purpose.	Miracles Wanted.
J. Fisher...	Trinity	1	343	249	175	28	1	30	10	4	3	5	1	20	...	\$155 00	\$1800 00	...	Orwigburg, Pa.
J. Fisher...	New Jerusalem...	4	831	369	426	41	1	20	2	7	2	16	6	59	...	372 00	1600 00	20	Tamaqua, Pa.
W. Donst...	St. John's...	1	395	347	209	29	2	29	2	2	18	10	1	44	...	440 00	2000 00	12	Schuykill Haven, Pa.
H. Struck...	St. Mark's...	1	261	146	136	16	1	9	1	5	20	7	1	37	...	115 00	1238 00	8	Schuykill Haven, Pa.
B. Bartholomew...	St. Peter's...	1	122	102	82	17	1	11	2	15	35	1	1	21	...	62 00	913 00	12	Cressona, Pa.
J. Bower...	Pinegrove	3	414	337	303	70	2	28	9	15	24	12	3	44	...	144 00	3007 00	18	Frackville, Pa.
S. Noll...	Emanuel	1	100	127	105	9	...	9	7	1	...	4	3	17	...	75 00	750 00	7	Pinergrove, Pa.
F. Wagner...	Bethany	3	380	287	190	14	4	35	12	3	...	4	3	27	...	181 00	1150 00	...	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.
D. Stoyer...	Orwigburg	2	328	255	240	18	...	10	5	6	...	3	2	31	...	274 00	1553 00	12	Anburn, Pa.
W. Hartman...	Trinity	1	412	213	287	35	...	22	4	5	...	6	1	36	...	240 00	1680 00	20	Orwigburg, Pa.
A. Yearick...	Trinity	1	534	386	380	20	...	18	18	5	...	12	1	36	...	470 00	2673 00	18	Shenandoah, Pa.
L. Whitmore...	First Ch., Pottsville	1	226	148	163	19	...	10	14	5	35	4	1	28	...	125 00	1275 00	13	Pottsville, Pa.
A. Peters...	St. John's...	2	332	205	290	23	...	13	32	...	...	13	4	48	...	103 00	2240 00	16	Pottsville, Pa.
Lobach	St. Paul's...	1	859	573	637	69	...	24	12	...	54	9	1	51	...	744 00	2480 00	30	Tamaqua, Pa.
G. Kerchner...	Tremont	4	432	250	360	18	...	16	12	9	...	2	1	67	...	21 00	1221 00	21	Mahoney City, Pa.
T. O. Struck...	Christ	1	180	130	100	9	...	...	5	...	...	6	3	...	...	31 00	175 00	...	Tremont, Pa.
J. Fisher, supply...	St. Peter's...	1	38	30	30	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	17 00	100 00	...	Tamaqua, Pa.
J. Fisher, supply...	Zion's	1	40	31	20	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	11 00	75 00	...	Tamaqua, Pa.
J. Fisher...	St. Luke's...	1	32	20	15	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	9 00	73 00	...	Frackville, Pa.
J. Bowet, supply...	St. John's, St. Clair	1	91	70	100	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	17	...	30 00	1111 00	...	Pottsville, Pa.
A. Patena, supply...	St. John's, Pt. Clinton	1	59	51	40	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	17	...	36 00	149 00	5	Hamburg, Pa.
W. Gerhart, supply...	St. John's, Pt. Clinton	1	59	51	40	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	17	...	36 00	149 00	5	Hamburg, Pa.
G. G. ...	St. John's, Pt. Clinton	1	59	51	40	5	1	17	...	36 00	149 00	5	Hamburg, Pa.
		35	6469	4506	4391	445	16	840	159	107	215	118	79	35	612	28736 00	226553 00	206	

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One Hundred and Fifty-Seventh Annual Sessions

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

**Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church
in the United States**

AT ITS ANNUAL SESSIONS IN LEBANON, PA., IN THE MONTH
OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND THREE.

The sessions began on the 28th and continued until November 2d, adjourning at 11 o'clock in the evening.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

Synod convened in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa., Wednesday, October 28, A. D. 1903, at 8 p. m., according to adjournment.

The session was opened with religious service conducted by Revs. Wilson F. More and Chas. B. Schneder.

The opening sermon was preached by the President, Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach, Spinnertown, Pa., from the text (St. Matt. 23:10) "For one is your Master, even Christ." The members of Synod and visiting brethren participated in the celebration of the Holy Communion.

The business session was opened with prayer. The provisional roll was called and a quorum was present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers—Gustavus A. Schwedes, H. H. Sangree, John F. DeLong, D.D., W. H. Wotring, W. F. More, J. W. Gilds.

Elders—Dr. S. J. Weaver, A. P. Zellner, T. J. Kichline, Tilgh. Odenwelder, Henry Kern.

2. **Lebanon Classis.**

Ministers—W. J. Kershner, D. K. Laudenslager, Wm. F. DeLong, L. D. Stambaugh.

Elders—E. O. Gilbert, W. M. Leinbach, F. Z. Miller.

3. **Philadelphia Classis.**

Ministers—John H. Sechler, D.D., E. W. Middleton, R. C. Zartman, D.D., F. A. Rupley, Jr., E. F. Wiest, J. M. S. Isenberg, A. S. Bromer, C. H. Coon, D.D.

Elders—F. G. Hobson, Esq., J. S. Sechler, Jas. Buchanan, Alex. Miller, H. Spies, A. Schwenk, J. McIntire, A. B. Scheffy.

4. **Lancaster Classis.**

Ministers—E. N. Kremer, D.D., J. H. Watts, R. F. Reed, Thos. S. Land, J. G. Noss, D. W. Gerhard, Jairus A. Wickett, A. C. Whitmer.

Elders—John J. Nissley, E. H. Burkholder, John B. Kieffer, John H. Landis, Hiram Stamm, G. J. P. Raub, E. B. Smith.

5. **East Susquehanna Classis.**

Ministers—I. M. Schaeffer, C. D. Kressley, L. M. Fetterolf, C. B. Schneder.

Elders—F. E. Ammerman, A. M. Keim.

6. **West Susquehanna Classis.**

Ministers—A. A. Black, K. O. Spessard, Ph.D.

Elders—Jared Harper, W. M. Robison, W. R. From.

7. **Tohickon Classis.**

Ministers—J. J. Rothrock, N. Z. Snyder, D.D., Jas. R. Bergey.

Elders—L. W. Weirback, Abel A. Stover, Leidy Shipe.

8. **Goshenhoppen Classis.**

Ministers—L. K. Evans, D.D., Thos. H. Leinbach, C. S. Wieand.

Elders—Dr. Henry Bobb, O. C. Keiper, H. A. Cole.

9. **Lehigh Classis.**

Ministers—Thos. J. Hacker, D.D., Theo. F. Herman, Robert M. Kern, D. A. Winter, Geo. P. Stem, Thos. H. Krick, Jas. O. Oswald.

Elders—Robert Rupp, R. H. Kramm, E. C. Simmons, A. Snyder.

10. Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers—O. H. Strunck, S. L. Whitmore, D.D., John J. Fisher.

Elders—Justus Sherer, F. A. Brown, Thos. Anthony.

11. Wyoming Classis.

Ministers—J. B. Kerschner, S. E. Stofflet, A. Houtz, F. H. Ruloff, C. H. Herbst.

Elders—W. J. Balliet, A. M. DeWitt, J. Sweisfort, C. J. Shaffer, Alem Mauser.

12. Reading Classis.

Ministers—Chas. E. Creitz, Chas. E. Schaeffer, H. H. Rupp, John Ph. Stein.

Elders—Jacob H. Stein, Adam Rieser, R. M. Hoffman, J. S. Wise.

Rev. Edw. S. Bromer, secundus of Lebanon Classis, occupied the seat of the primarius, Rev. D. K. Laudenslager, from the third day to the end of the sessions.

Rev. Dr. H. T. Spangler, secundus of Philadelphia Classis, occupied the seat of the primarius, Rev. E. W. Middleton, from the fifth day to the end of the sessions.

Rev. J. O. Lindaman, secundus of Tohickon Classis, occupied the seat of the primarius, Rev. J. J. Rothrock, from fourth day to the end of the sessions.

Rev. Geo. W. Hartman, secundus, occupied the seat of the primarius, Dr. S. L. Whitmore, on the first day of the sessions.

Advisory Members Present.

The following advisory members were present at one or more of the sessions, to wit:

East Pennsylvania Classis—Rev. I. M. Beaver.

Lebanon Classis—Thos. C. Leinbach, D. E. Klopp, D.D., H. J. Welker, V. W. Dippel, Ph.D., I. C. Fisher, E. S. Bromer, J. Lewis Fluck, W. D. Donat, Samuel A. Leinbach, Thos. M. Yundt, A. J. Bachman, Lic. E. D. Bright.

Philadelphia Classis—Revs. Jas. Crawford, D.D., D. U. Wolf, D.D., Thos. L. Bickel, C. J. Musser, D.D., E. D. Miller, H. W. Bright, S. L. Messinger, H. T. Spangler, D.D.

Lancaster Classis—Revs. F. C. Hullhorst, S. Sweitzer, W. S. Cramer, Tilgh. Derr, H. N. Bassler, John S. Stahr, D.D.,

H. R. Kreider, A. O. Bartholomew, P. J. Dundore, J. P. Diefenderfer, Jas. W. Meminger, D.D., Jas. R. Stein, Lic. A. V. Hiester, D. G. Glass.

East Susquehanna Classis—Revs. S. P. Brown, H. H. Hersh, Geo. G. Greenawald.

Tohickon Classis—A. B. Koplin, D.D., E. L. Noll, E. M. Hartman, J. O. Lindaman, W. H. Mader.

Goshenhoppen Classis—Jos. E. Freeman, C. M. DeLong.

Lehigh Classis—Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, D.D., Geo. W. Richards, D.D., A. R. Bartholomew, D.D., J. W. Knappenberger, E. H. Leinbach, H. L. Fogelman, Scott R. Wagner, W. V. Helfrich, W. W. Deatrich, H. D. Kurtz.

Schuylkill Classis—Revs. W. T. Buchanan, J. G. Kerschner, T. C. Strock.

Reading Classis—Rev. Jas. I. Good, D.D., Thos. W. Dickerson, H. H. Ranck, Henry Mosser, D.D., Geo. W. Gerhard, Rufus W. Miller, D.D.

Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod—Revs. C. Noss, S. Miller, Jos. H. Apple.

Gettysburg Classis, Potomac Synod—Rev. John C. Bowman, D.D.

Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod—Rev. J. F. Mickley.

Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod—Lic. Clayton E. Ranck.

Eastern Ohio, Ohio Synod—Rev. A. V. Casselman.

From Other Churches.

Dr. Jas. Morrow, Secretary of Pennsylvania Bible Society
Lutheran Church—Rev. W. E. Stahler, D.D., Rev. P. Croll.

United Evangelical Church—Rev. A. B. Saylor, Rev. George W. Hangen, Rev. J. D. Woodring, D.D.

United Brethren—Rev. C. I. B. Brane, D.D., Rev. I. Albright, Ph.D., Rev. D. S. Longenecker.

Evangelical Association—Rev. A. N. Metzgar.

Presbyterian—Rev. George B. Hynson.

Baptist—Rev. J. W. Hartpence.

Moravian—Rev. F. E. Grunert.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, Reading, Pa., was elected President.

Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr., Fort Washington, Pa., was elected Corresponding Secretary.

Rev. John Ph. Stein, D.D., Reading, Pa., is Stated Clerk.

Rev. Henry H. Rupp, Reading, Pa., was elected Reading Clerk.

Elder Samuel M. Gingrich, Swatara Station, Pa., was re-elected Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The reading of the Rules of Order adopted by General Synod in 1887 at Akron, Ohio, were dispensed with.

The Bar of the House was defined to extend to the seventh circle of pews inclusive from the chancel.

The business sessions were opened at 9 a. m., and closed at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11.30 a. m. to 2 p. m.

ARTICLE V.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees, to wit:

1. *Religious Services*—Revs. I. Calvin Fisher, W. F. De Long, J. Hunter Watts, Elders F. L. Miller, W. M. Leinbach.
2. *Minutes of Eastern Synod*—Revs. W. H. Wotring, I. M. Schaeffer, J. R. Bergey, Elders J. J. Nissley, A. M. Keim.
3. *Overtures*—Revs. Thos. S. Land, Geo. P. Stem, Geo. W. Hartman, Elders A. A. Stover, Thos. Anthony.
4. *Minutes of Classes*—Revs. A. S. Bromer, G. W. Schwedes, D. W. Gerhard, Elders Dr. J. H. Stein, W. J. Balliet.
5. *Examination and Licensure*—Revs. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., L. K. Evans, D.D., J. B. Kerschner, Elders Henry Bobb, M.D., R. H. Kramm.
6. *State of Religion*—Revs. Thos. H. Leinbach, J. G. Noss, H. H. Rupp, Elders Jared Harper, A. P. Zeller.

7. *F. and M. College and Theological Seminary*—Revs. C. B. Schneder, Thos. H. Krick, Jas. O. Oswald, Elders A. Schwenk, Prof. J. B. Kieffer, Ph.D.

8. *Missions*—Revs. C. E. Schaeffer, A. C. Whitmer, A. S. Bromer, Elders S. J. Weaver, M.D., Alexander Miller.

9. *Finance*—Revs. T. J. Hacker, D.D., J. M. S. Isenberg, K. Otis Spessard, Elders R. Monroe Hoffman, Robert Rupp.

10. *Nominations*—Revs. W. F. More, C. S. Wieand, S. E. Stofflet, Elders A. B. Rieser, Esq., Hon. J. H. Landis.

11. *Publication*—Revs. A. A. Black, J. J. Rothrock, J. J. Fisher, Elders O. C. Keiper, Leidy Shipe.

12. *Orphan Home and Other Benevolent Institutions*—Revs. E. N. Kremer, D.D., W. J. Kerschner, R. M. Kern, Elders E. C. Simmons, F. A. Brown.

13. *Sunday-schools*—Revs. T. F. Herman, F. A. Rupley, D. A. Winter, Elders F. G. Hobson, Esq., Dr. J. Sweisfort.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The minutes of the following Classes: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination, with the exception of the reports on the State of the Church and the statistical tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Report of the Treasurer were read. The vacancy occurring in the Board of Trustees was referred to Standing Committee on Nominations. Several items in Report of Trustees of Synod and the Treasurer's Report were referred to Committee on Finance.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, the General Synod's Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions were received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

4. The Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Education of the Theological Seminary, also the Report of Franklin and Marshall College were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on College and Seminary.

5. The Annual Report of the Board of Publication of Reformed Church was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Report of General Synod's Sunday-school Board was received and referred to Committee on Sunday-schools.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were severally opened and closed with religious services. The report of the Standing Committee on Religious Services was read at intervals and finally adopted as a whole. The report reads as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Religious Services presents the following report:

Wednesday evening, October 28, 8 o'clock.—Opening sermon by the retiring President, the Rev. Thomas H. Leinbach; celebration of the Holy Communion; election of a President.

The President of Synod was assisted in the services by the Revs. Wilson F. More and Charles B. Schneder.

Thursday evening, October 29, 7.45 o'clock.—Educational meeting, Elder F. G. Hobson, Esq., Norristown, Pa., presiding. Devotional services conducted by the Rev. J. J. Fisher. "The People and Our Higher Educational Institutions of Learning," the Rev. G. A. Schwedes; "Some of the Causes for the Numerical Decline of Candidates for the Gospel Ministry," the Rev. Wallace H. Wotring; "The Graded Sunday-school and Its Advantages," the Hon. M. B. Gibson.

Friday evening, October 30, 7.45 o'clock.—Foreign Mission service, the Rev. O. H. Strunck presiding. Devotional service conducted by the Rev. D. W. Gerhard. "The Messenger," Rev. C. J. Musser, D.D.; "Foreign Missions," Rev. A. R. Bartholo-

mew, D.D.; illustrated stereopticon lecture, "China and Japan," Rev. A. V. Casselman.

Saturday evening, October 31, 7.45 o'clock.—Rev. Albert S. Bromer presiding. Devotional service conducted by the Rev. K. Otis Spessard, Ph.D. "The Laboring Man and the Church," the Rev. S. E. Stofflet; "The Church and the Laboring Man," the Rev. I. M. Schaeffer.

Sunday Services, November 1.

St. Mark's Reformed Church.—10 a. m., Home Missions, the President of Synod to preside; German address, the Rev. Dr. Thos. J. Hacker; English address, the Rev. Edward F. Wiest. 1.30 p. m., The Sunday-school; addresses by Elder F. G. Hobson and Rev. D. A. Winter. 6.15 p. m., The Y. P. S. C. E.; address by the Rev. John W. Gilds. 7.15 p. m., services in charge of Rev. J. J. Rothrock, sermon by the Rev. James M. S. Isenberg.

First Reformed Church.—10.15 a. m., Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D.; 7.15 p. m., Rev. Albert S. Bromer.

St. John's Reformed Church.—10.30 a. m., Rev. Robert M. Kern; 7.30 p. m., Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr.

Kimmerling's Reformed Church.—10 a. m., Rev. John O. Lindaman.

Grace Reformed Church, Richland.—Rev. John H. Sechler, D.D.

St. John's Reformed Church, Jonestown.—Rev. James O. Oswald.

Christ Reformed Church, Annville.—Rev. Geo. P. Stem.

Myerstown Reformed Church.—10 a. m., Rev. Wallace H. Wotring; 7 p. m., Rev. Wilson F. More.

Trinity Reformed Church, Palmyra.—10 a. m., Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach; 7 p. m., Rev. K. Otis Spessard, Ph.D.

St. Paul's United Evangelical Church.—10 a. m., Rev. S. L. Whitmore, D.D.; 7.15 p. m., Rev. Thos. H. Krick.

First United Evangelical Church.—10 a. m., Rev. D. W. Gerhard.

Zion Lutheran Church.—10.30 a. m., Rev. A. A. Black.

First Lutheran Church.—7.15 p. m., Rev. Chas.

Trinity U. B. Church.—10.30 a. m., Rev. J. R. Bergey; 7.30 p. m., Rev. L. Kryder Evans, D.D.

Fourth Street Presbyterian Church.—7.30 p. m., Rev. I. M. Schaeffer.

Respectfully submitted,

I. CALVIN FISHER,

WM. F. DELONG,

J. HUNTER WATTS,

Committee.

ARTICLE VIII.

MINUTES OF EASTERN SYNOD.

The printed copy of the Minutes of Eastern Synod for the year 1902 was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod to note such items as require the attention of Synod. The report was presented second day of the sessions, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:—

Your committee appointed on Minutes of Synod find the following items in the Acts and Proceedings of the Synod at Wilkes-Barre claiming attention:

Item 1, p. 49, 51. A committee was appointed to superintend the commemoration of the semi-centennial of the founding of Franklin and Marshall College. Rev. G. A. Schwedes, chairman.

Item 2, p. 51. A committee was appointed to suggest an improved method of aiding worthy young men in preparation for the Christian ministry. Dr. A. B. Koplin, chairman.

Item 3, p. 52. A committee was appointed to raise funds for Science Building of Franklin and Marshall College. T. J. Hacker, D.D., chairman.

Item 4, p. 54. A committee was appointed to report a feasible plan to provide for the increased current expenses of the Eastern Theological Seminary. C. B. Schneder, chairman.

Item 5, p. 72. The term of Rev. J. W. Steinmetz on the Board of Trustees of Synod expires January 1, 1904.

Item 6, p. 78. A permanent committee was appointed to secure funds for the purchase of Allentown College for Women. Rev. Thomas W. Dickert, chairman.

Item 7, p. 87. A permanent committee was appointed on Sunday-schools. T. J. Hacker, D.D., chairman.

Item 8, p. 100. A committee was appointed to make arrangements to report the proceedings of Synod for the press. President of Synod, chairman.

Item 9, p. 103. The term of Dr. S. P. Heilman in permanent committee on Sunday-schools expires October 1, 1903.

Item 10, p. 104. Synod adjourned to meet October 28, 1903, in St. Mark's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa.

Item 11, p. 89. Synod directed Stated Clerk to have printed 4,200 copies of Minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WOTRING,

I. M. SCHAEFFER,

J. J. NISSLEY,

JAS. R. BERGEY,

A. M. KEIM.

For the action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report, reference is made as follows, to wit:

For the reports on items 1, 2, 3 and 4 see Art. XIII, on College and Theological Seminary. On items 5 and 6 see Art. XV, on Finance. On items 7 and 9 see Art. XVIII, on Sunday-schools. On item 8 see Art. XX, on Government, and on item 11 see Art. XIX, on Publication.

ARTICLE IX.

OVERTURES.

The Standing Committee on Overtures presented its report on Friday, which was disposed of at intervals item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Standing Committee on Overtures begs leave to report that the following papers have been placed into their hands which claim the attention of Synod, to wit:

Item 1. A communication from the Superintendent of Missions of the Eastern and Potomac Synods with a report of Rev. C. S. Slagle in the matter of moneys received and paid out for the Memorial Church at Washington, and the action of the Board thereon.

Item 2. A Request of the American Anti-Saloon League that we elect delegates to the Eighth National Anti-Saloon Convention to be held at Washington, D. C., December 9-11, 1903.

Item 3. A statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

Item 4. An invitation from St. Stephen's Reformed church, Perkaspie, to Eastern Synod to hold its next annual sessions in that place.

Item 5. An invitation from Zion's Reformed church, Lehighton, Pa., to Eastern Synod to hold its next annual sessions at that place.

Item 6. An invitation of St. Luke's Reformed church, Lock Haven, to Eastern Synod to hold its next annual sessions at that place.

Item 7. The complaint of Rev. Nevin W. Helfrich against the action of Lehigh Classis taken June 16th, 1903, relative to the reconstruction of Ziegel's charge.

Item 8. An appeal and complaint by Rev. H. M. Kieffer against certain action of East Pennsylvania Classis and its President, Rev. A. O. Bartholomew, taken February 17-18, 1903.

Item 9. An appeal by the counsel for the Rev. H. M. Kieffer against the action of East Pennsylvania Classis at a special meeting March 17, 1903.

Item 10. A certain complaint and appeal against East Pennsylvania Classis in reference to the consideration of item 2 for a special meeting March 17, 1903.

Item 11. An appeal and complaint to the Eastern Synod against the action of the Classis in hearing and considering item 2 of a call for a meeting of said body March 17-18, 1903.

Item 12. An invitation from Grace Reformed church, Hazleton, Pa., to Eastern Synod to hold its next annual sessions in that place.

Item 13. An invitation from the First Reformed church of Philadelphia to Eastern Synod to hold its next annual sessions in that place.

Item 14. A programme and souvenir of the thirty-first annual sessions of the Potomac Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, October 21st, 1903, Salisbury, N. C.

Item 15. A catalogue of Ursinus College for 1902-'03.

Item 16. A catalogue of Allentown College for Women for 1903-'04.

Item 17. A letter from Rev. Wm. C. Webb, Secretary of the Evangelical Alliance of Pennsylvania, to Rev. C. H. Coon, D.D., requesting him to ask this Synod to elect a delegate to attend a certain Committee of Conference on the subject of the unwise multiplication of churches in our home missionary field, with resolution of the last meeting of the Alliance on that subject.

Item 18. A protest from the treasurer of the First Reformed church of Easton against certain statements reported to have been made by Rev. Jno. F. DeLong, D.D., on the floor of this Synod.

Item 19. A petition of Martin J. Riegel, an elder in the First Reformed church, of Easton, Pa., asking Synod to reconsider and to reverse its action in the matter of the appeal of Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D.D., against East Pennsylvania Classis.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. S. LAND,

GEORGE P. STEM, A. A. STOVER,

S. L. WHITMORE, THOS. ANTHONY.

For Synod's action on the several items contained in the foregoing report reference is made as follows, to wit:

On item 1 see Art. XIV, on Missions. On item 2 the following action was adopted: *Resolved*, That while we sympathize with the Anti-Saloon movement, we do not see our way clear to elect delegates to attend the annual convention in December next at Washington, D. C. On item 3 see Art. XX, on Orphan Home and Other Benevolent Institutions. On items 4, 5, 6, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 16 see Art. XXII, Miscellaneous. On item 17, on motion the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to inform Dr. Webb that Synod does not see its way clear to appoint delegates to the Evangelical Alliance. On items 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 see Art. XVI, Appeals and References. On item 18 the following action was taken: On motion the Corresponding Secretary was instructed to return the communication, with the information that it was not rightly placed. On item 19 the following action was taken: On motion the Corresponding

Secretary be instructed to return the paper stating that Synod does not see its way clear to act in the case.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSES.

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes presented its report in part on the third day, and the remainder on the fifth day of the sessions. The report was duly considered item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes begs leave to report that the Minutes of the several Classes were placed in its hands and from these records of classical proceedings the following items are gathered for further consideration, namely:

I. Irregularities.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis special meeting, May 4, 1903, did not record adjournment, or close with prayer and benediction.
2. Philadelphia Classis omitted in the call for special meeting, October 27, 1903, the year (p. 61).
3. Schuylkill Classis in minutes of three special meetings failed to record the names of members present (pp. 21, 22, 23).

II. Requests.

1. Lehigh Classis requests Synod to give due credit to Zion's congregation, Allentown, Pa., as having paid its apportionment in full in the year 1901-1902, and thus place it on the roll of honor for that year.
2. West Susquehanna Classis asks Synod to accept the invitation of St. Luke's Reformed church at Lock Haven to hold its annual sessions in their church in 1904.
3. Wyoming Classis tenders its thanks to Synod for permission to apply the apportionment raised within its bounds for church building purposes to the liquidation of the debt on Scranton Mission (p. 29).

III. Subjects Referred.

The several Classes took favorable action on the recommendations of Synod with the following exceptions:

1. West Susquehanna Classis accepts all referred to it by Synod except the apportionment for German Missions and assumes only \$1,800 of the \$2,000 apportioned for Home Missions (p. 48).
2. Goshenhoppen Classis accepts all items referred by the Synod with the exception of the apportionment for German Missions, and the apportionment for Church Building, which was voted to the Royersford Mission for repairs (p. 24-p. 32).

IV. Appeals and Complaints.

1. A complaint and appeal by Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D.D., against the action of East Pennsylvania Classis and its President, at a special meeting held February 17-18, 1903. Vide page 461 and 464 in Min. of E. Penn. Classis.
2. An appeal of the counsel (Dr. T. J. Hacker) for Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D.D., against the action of East Pennsylvania Classis at a special meeting held March 17, 1903. Vide page 1, Min. of E. Penn. Classis.
3. A complaint and appeal by Dr. John H. Sechler, counsel for Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D.D., against East Pennsylvania Classis in reference to the consideration of a certain item in the call for special meeting held March 17, 1903. Vide page 8, Min. of E. Penn. Classis.
4. A complaint and appeal by Rev. Dr. H. M. Kieffer against East Pennsylvania Classis in hearing and considering item 2 in a call for a special meeting. Vide page 26, Min. of E. Penn. Classis. Counsel appointed for defense of action on above complaint.
5. A complaint and appeal by Rev. N. W. Helfrich against the action of Lehigh Classis relative to the reconstruction of Ziegel charge. Vide page 56, Min. of Lehigh Classis, and appointment of counsel.

V. Charges That Paid Apportionments in Full.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Howerton; First Church, Easton; Catasauqua; Christ Church, Bethlehem; Dryland; Freemansburg; Weissport; Northampton; West Bethlehem; Sieg-

fried; Bath; Bangor; St. Mark's, Easton; Mauch Chunk; St. Peter's, Flicksville; Oxford Furnace; N. Bethlehem; Walnuthport.

Lehigh Classis—Zion's, St. John's, Salem's, Christ, Trinity, Grace; St. Andrew's, of Allentown; Slatington; Egypt; Maucungie Zion's, and Grimsville.

East Susquehanna Classis—Shamokin; Ashland; Lykens; Tower City; Sunbury; Catawissa; Ringtown.

Reading Classis—First; Second; St. Paul's; St. John's; Calvary; St. Thomas; Schwartzwald; Leesport; St. Mark's; Olivet; St. Andrew's; Faith and St. James'; St. Stephen's; First Reformed, Hamburg.

Wyoming Classis—Weatherly; West Hazleton; Zion's, Wilkes-Barre; Emanuel's, Hazleton; Freeland, Emanuel's; Bloomsburg; Mausdale; Calvary, Fayette; Danville, Overton, Conyngham, Paradise, Watsontown and Plymouth (p. 24).

Lancaster Classis—St. Stephen's; First Church, Lancaster; New Holland; Salem, Heller's; Salem, Rohrerstown; Salem, Harrisburg; Fourth Church, Harrisburg; Zion's, New Providence; Columbia; St. Luke's, Lancaster; Millersville; St. Paul's, Lancaster; Maytown; Christ Church, Elizabethtown; St. John's, Harrisburg; Faith, Lancaster; St. Andrew's, Lancaster; Willow Street; Zwingli, Harrisburg; St. Paul's, Quarryville; Shoop's; Armstrong Valley; Second Church, Harrisburg, Hummelstown (p. 47).

Schuylkill Classis—St. John's, Schuylkill Haven; Trinity, Pottsville; St. Mark's, Cressona; St. Paul's, Mahanoy City; Trinity, Shenandoah; St. John's, Tamaqua; Bethany charge, Orwigsburg charge.

VI. Licensed, Ordained, Received and Dismissed.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis licensed, May 20, 1903, in St. Paul's church, Bethlehem, Pa., H. B. Reagle, H. J. Ehret, R. A. Rinker and Charles Lerch. Ordained, August 14, 1902, Licentiate C. A. Butz as pastor of Towamansing charge. Received, September 29, 1903, Rev. W. H. Miller of Illinois Classis, Synod of Interior; June 25, 1903, Rev. David Scheirer of Tohickon Classis, Rev. F. A. Guth from Gettysburg Classis, Potomac Synod; and September 29, 1903, Rev. R. F. Gass from Clarion Classis, Pittsburgh Synod. Dismissed Licentiate H.

B. Reagle to Reading Classis, and erased the name of Geo. W. Remagen from the classical roll.

2. Lebanon Classis licensed, May 27, 1903, at Bethany Orphan Home, Franklin P. Miller, Edwin S. Leinbach, Calvin K. Staudt and Edward D. Bright. Ordained, July 26, 1903, Licentiate Edwin S. Leinbach. Dismissed, July 23, 1903, Rev. Henry Hilbish to East Susquehanna Classis, and Lic. Calvin K. Staudt to Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior.

3. Philadelphia Classis licensed, May 14, 1903, Trinity church, Philadelphia, Carl George Petri, Edgar Ritter Appenzeller and Edgar Vincent Loucks. Ordained, November 16, 1902, St. John's church, Wyoming, Del., Lic. Robert Lee Bair. Received, November 14, 1902, Lic. Robert Lee Bair from Gettysburg Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. F. H. Fisher, December 19, 1902, from Lincoln Classis, Interior Synod; Rev. A. S. Dechant, February 14, 1903, from Iowa Classis, Interior Synod; Rev. A. H. Hibshman, Ph.D., May 14, 1903, from Lancaster Classis; Rev. Morgan A. Peters, on same day, from Schuylkill Classis; Rev. Arthur C. Thompson, September 14, 1903, from Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod. Dismissed, November 10, 1902, Rev. P. E. Zartman to the New York Presbytery; Lic. Harvey G. Kopenhaver, November 10, 1902, to Heidelberg Classis, Central Synod; Lic. Edgar V. Loucks, May 14, 1903, to Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior; Lic. Edgar R. Appenzeller, May 14, 1903, to Miami Classis, Ohio Synod; Lic. Carl G. Petri to Wyoming Classis, and Rev. C. H. Brandt, to Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod.

4. Lancaster Classis licensed, May 19, 1903, Clayton Haverstick Ranck, Chas. Lewis Noss, Daniel Gress and Kikutaro Yoshida. Ordained, June 1, 1902, Paul J. Dundore. Received, September 8, 1903, Rev. John P. Dieffenderfer from Carlisle Classis, Potomac Synod; October 16, 1903, Rev. Henry N. Bassler from Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod, and Rev. Albert O. Bartholomew from East Pennsylvania Classis. Dismissed, January 29, 1903, Lic. Stephen L. Flickinger to Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior; February 21, 1903, Rev. L. C. Harnish to Wichita Classis, Synod of Interior; March 23, 1903, Rev. G. W. Welsh to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod, and Rev. A. H. Hibshman, Ph.D., to Philadelphia Classis; May, 1903, Lic. Daniel Gress to West Susquehanna Classis; July 25,

1903, Rev. A. F. Dreisbach, Ph.D., to Schuylkill Classis; October 16, 1903, Lic. Clayton H. Ranck to Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod, and Lic. Chas. Lewis Noss to Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod.

5. East Susquehanna Classis licensed, May 21, 1903, at Ringtown, Pa., Karl A. Stein. Received, May 19, 1903, Rev. G. G. Greenawald of Tohickon Classis; July 28, 1903, Rev. Henry Hilbish of Lebanon Classis, and dismissed, July 28, 1903, Lic. Karl A. Stein to Tohickon Classis.

6. West Susquehanna Classis licensed S. Chas. Hoover, May 22, 1903, at Boalsburg, Pa. Ordained Lic. Edwin T. Rhoades, June 24, 1902, and Lic. Jos. M. Bean, July 17, 1902. Received Rev. F. E. Laufer, May 21, 1903, from Miami Classis, Ohio Synod; Lic. Daniel Gress, May 21, 1903, from Lancaster Classis; and Rev. Elias S. Noll, July 27, 1903, from Wyoming Classis. Dismissed Rev. S. S. Kohler, March 2, 1903, to Schuylkill Classis; Rev. D. I. Schaeffer, August 27, 1903, to Allegheny Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; erased the name of Rev. M. W. Schweitzer from the roll, and dismissed, May 22, 1903, Lic. S. Chas. Hoover to Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior.

7. Tohickon Classis licensed, May 27, 1903, in Christ church, Indian Creek, Pa., Howard Edgar Bodder. Received, December 10, 1902, Rev. Elmer S. Noll from Schuylkill Classis, and August 4, 1903, Lic. Karl A. Stein from East Susquehanna Classis. Dismissed, May 27, 1903, Rev. David Scheirer to East Pennsylvania Classis, and March 16, 1903, Rev. G. G. Greenawald to East Susquehanna Classis.

8. Goshenhoppen Classis ordained, May 31, 1903, Lic. Calvin M. DeLong, in New Goshenhoppen church. Received, May 20, 1903, Lic. Calvin M. DeLong from Lehigh Classis. Dismissed, May 19, 1903, Lic. J. Frank Dechant to Philadelphia Classis. Rev. Geo. B. Walbert, having died June 13, 1903, his name disappears from the roll.

9. Lehigh Classis licensed, May 19, 1903, in Grace Reformed church, South Bethlehem, Pa., Calvin M. DeLong. Received, December 29, 1902, Rev. Theo. F. Hermann from Indiana Classis, Synod of Northwest; May 28, 1903, Lic. Simon Sipple from Somerset Classis, Pittsburgh Synod; September 7, 1903, Rev. August Piscatur from German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of East. Dismissed November 1, 1902, Rev. Thos.

W. Dickert to Reading Classis; December 29, 1902, Rev. Wilson S. Hartzell to St. Paul Classis, Pittsburgh Synod. Rev. Abraham Bartholomew having died August 15, 1903, his name disappears from the roll.

10. Schuylkill Classis ordained, December 22, 1902, Lic. W. T. Buchanan at Minersville, Pa. Received, December 20, 1902, Lic. W. T. Buchanan from Philadelphia Classis. March 27, 1903, Rev. S. S. Kohler from West Susquehanna Classis; July 31, 1903, Rev. A. F. Dreisbach from Lancaster Classis. Dismissed, November 3, 1902, Rev. E. S. Noll to Tohickon Classis, and May 12, 1903, Rev. M. A. Peters to Philadelphia Classis.

11. Wyoming Classis licensed, May 27, 1903, E. E. Faust and dismissed him to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod. Dismissed, May 27, 1903, Rev. Elias S. Noll to West Susquehanna Classis. Received Lic. Carl G. Petri, September 30, 1903, from Philadelphia Classis. Organized, July 30, 1903, Zwingli Reformed congregation at Berwick, Pa., and August 10, 1902, the First Reformed congregation at Nescopeck, Pa.

12. Reading Classis licensed, June 1, 1903, Paul S. Bridenbaugh. Received, November 17, 1902, Rev. Thomas W. Dickert from Lehigh Classis, and June 1, 1903, Lic. H. B. Reagle from East Pennsylvania Classis as assistant pastor in Calvary Reformed church. Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D., having died October 29, 1902, his name disappears from the roll.

VII. Time and Place of the Next Annual Meeting.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis will meet first Monday in May, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in Reformed church, Bangor, Pa. Rev. F. H. Moyer, President and Treasurer; Rev. J. G. Rupp, Stated Clerk.

2. Lebanon Classis will meet May 27, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in Reformed church, Myerstown, Pa. Rev. Edw. S. Bromer, President; Rev. W. D. Donat, Stated Clerk; Elder Jacob K. Funk, Treasurer.

3. Philadelphia Classis will meet May 10, 1904, at 8 p. m., in First Reformed church, Tenth and Wallace streets, Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. J. M. S. Isenberg, D.D., President; Rev. John H. Sechler, D.D., Stated Clerk.

4. Lancaster Classis will meet on Monday evening, May 16, 1904, at 7.30 o'clock, in the Union church at Wenrich's,

Dauphin county, Pa. Rev. M. H. Sangree, President; Rev. D. W. Gerhard, Stated Clerk; Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D., Treasurer.

5. East Susquehanna Classis will meet May 19, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in Friedens Reformed church, Hegins, Pa. Rev. A. Zimmerman, S.T.D., President; Rev. A. Thos. G. Apple, Stated Clerk; Elder Geo. Hill, Esq., Sunbury, Pa., Treasurer.

6. West Susquehanna Classis will meet the third Wednesday in May, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., Lewisburg, Pa. Rev. K. Otis Spessard, President; Rev. W. A. Haas, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis will meet Monday before Ascension Day, May 9, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in Reformed church, Oley, Berks county, Pa. Rev. O. R. Frantz, President; Rev. C. S. Wieand, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

8. Lehigh Classis will meet on Friday, May 13, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in the Egypt church, Lehigh county, Pa. Rev. Geo. P. Stem, President; Rev. D. E. Schoedler, D.D., Stated Clerk; Rev. T. J. Hacker, Treasurer.

9. Tohickon Classis will meet May 13, 1904, at 8 p. m., in St. Peter's Reformed church, South Easton, Pa. Rev. B. F. Luckenbill, President; Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Treasurer; Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., Stated Clerk.

10. Schuylkill Classis will meet May 9th, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in Trinity church, Shenandoah, Pa. Rev. S. L. Whitmore, D.D., President; Rev. O. H. Strunck, Treasurer; Rev. W. D. Stoyer, Stated Clerk.

11. Wyoming Classis will meet on first Wednesday after Whitsuntide, A. D. 1904, at 8 p. m., in St. Paul's Reformed church, Overton, Pa. Rev. J. D. Thomas, Ph.D., President; Rev. C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk; Rev. A. Houtz, Treasurer.

12. Reading Classis will meet on fourth Monday after Easter, April 25, 1904, at 7.45 p. m., in St. Thomas Reformed church, Reading, Pa. Rev. Jas. R. Brown, President; Rev. John W. Steinmetz, D.D., Treasurer, and Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

A. S. BROMER,

G. A. SCHWEDES, JACOB H. STEIN,
D. W. GERHARD, W. J. BALLIET,

The several items under the head of Irregularities were adopted. The items under the head of Requests were adopted. The items 1, 2 and 3 under the head of Subjects Referred were severally adopted. For Synod's action on the items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 under the head of Appeals and Complaints see Art. XVI, on Appeals and References. The items under the head of Charges that Paid Their Apportionments in Full were severally adopted. The items under the head of Licensure and Ordination, Reception and Dismission, and the items on time and place for annual meetings of Classes were adopted.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination and Licensure presented its report which was adopted.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination beg leave to state that no documents were referred to them, and no one appeared before them in person; consequently they have nothing further to report.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Z. SNYDER,

L. KRYDER EVANS, H. BOBB,

J. B. KERSCHNER, R. H. KRAMM.

ARTICLE XII.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The report on the State of the Church was presented on Monday during the evening session and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on the State of Religion and Morals begs leave to submit the following as its report:

The classical reports on the State of the Church placed into our hands were carefully reviewed. These reports with great unanimity breathe a spirit of thankfulness for the past and of

great hopefulness for the future. In the main the state of the Church may be said to be encouraging. God has been with His ministering servants and has blessed and prospered the labors of their hands. There has been encouraging growth in the membership of the Church and the reports give unmistakable evidence of prosperity along all lines of church life and church work.

From the statistical reports we gather the following by way of comparison with the reports of last year. There has been an increase in the number of communicants of 3,389. The number communed over and above that of last year is 1,486. There is an increase in the number of congregations of 16, four of which were added to the list within the bounds of one Classis. In the number of ministers the gain is 5. The increase in the number of confirmed is 260; in the number of Sunday-school scholars 4,704. For congregational purposes \$41,659 more was raised than last year. While we note with joy these gains, we regret to say that two of the columns in the statistical report do not make an equally favorable showing. In the matter of benevolence there is a decrease of \$700, whilst in the number of students reported for the ministry there is a decrease of two. This decrease in both these items of so vital interest to the welfare of the Church should challenge the earnest consideration of her entire ministry. We would especially call the attention of the pastors to the much deplored decrease in the ranks of the ministry, and urge the advisability of preaching upon the subject, and of prevailing upon worthy young men of talent to consecrate themselves to the gospel ministry.

The reports also speak of the erection of new church buildings, of the remodeling of churches and of churches in process of erection. We take it as a significant sign that our people are taking a greater interest in and are paying more attention to the beautifying of the temples of the living God. Some of the reports record the canceling of church debts and one of the reports notes the commendable fact that a congregation within its bounds hitherto receiving sustentation has nobly resolved to become self-supporting.

In the matter of benevolence while there has been a decrease in the sum total there has been in some Classes a decided gain.

Several of the reports tell us with pardonable pride that more congregations than ever before paid their apportionment in full and all the reports give evidence that earnest effort has been put forth to create a deeper and more lively interest in the missionary operations of the Church. One of the reports says what we believe may be truthfully said for the whole Church, viz: that the truism that "liberal giving is spiritual getting," is being more and more realized.

During the year several honored fathers of the Church celebrated the golden anniversary of their active service in the ministry, and the reports speak of these anniversaries as occasions of great rejoicing and thanksgiving. In grateful recognition of the Master's blessing upon these His faithful servants in their half century of service in His kingdom three church building funds were given by them or through them.

Reviewing the whole field as presented in these reports we have every reason to thank God and take courage. True, there is heard here and there a minor strain. There have been in certain quarters strife and dissension. In other quarters sin and its power has laid hold of men's hearts and caused them to love darkness rather than light. The good seed that has been sown has verily not all fallen into good ground. Much of it, accordingly, does not come to fruition. Again, the enemy has not been slow to here and there do the cause of the kingdom fatal injury by sowing tares among the wheat.

And yet we rejoice in the gospel truth that where sin doth abound grace doth much more abound, and that this is manifestly true in its application to the state of our Church. We are glad to be assured that the gospel of peace and good will is being faithfully proclaimed from the watch towers of our beloved Zion; and that the word of the living and the loving Christ, which is the power of God unto salvation, is a savor of life to life rather than of death unto death.

In conclusion we note with a feeling of sadness that four of our beloved brethren, Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D., Rev. Geo. B. Walbert, Rev. Abraham Bartholomew and Wm. D. C. Rodrock, have departed this life and entered into the joys of their reward. They rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

And now unto Him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. H. LEINBACH,
JOHN G. NOSS, JARED HARPER,
H. H. RUPP, A. P. ZELLNER.

REV. CALVIN S. GERHARD, D.D.

Died October 29, 1902.

Calvin Seibert, son of Rev. William T. and Elizabeth Gerhard, was born October 3, 1845, at Kintnersville, Bucks county, Pa. He was confirmed in 1861 at Petersburg, Lancaster county, Pa., by his father. He was graduated in 1865 in Franklin and Marshall College. After devoting two years to the profession of teaching in the Fayette and subsequently in the Oley Academy, he pursued a three years' course and was graduated in 1870 in the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa. He was licensed in the same year by Lancaster Classis to preach the gospel, and ordained October 4, 1870, by East Susquehanna Classis as pastor of the Sunbury charge. On July 5, 1879, he was called to Trinity church, Columbia, Pa., and November 1, 1883, he became pastor of St. Stephen's church, Reading, Pa., where he successfully labored to the close of his earthly life. During the later part of his ministry his health failed. After several months of suffering he ended his mortal career October 29, 1902, at the age of 57 years and 26 days.

He was married October 12, 1871, to Emma Elizabeth Glase. This marital relation was blessed with four sons, two having recently died, leaving the bereaved widow and two surviving sons to mourn his departure.

The funeral services were held in the newly erected St. Stephen's church, the monument of his industry and to his pastoral fidelity. His earthly remains were interred in Charles Evans' Cemetery. He was a faithful minister in the Church, made a noble record, and has now entered upon his reward. Blessed are the dead that die in the Lord; they rest from their labors and their works do follow them.

REV. GEORGE B. WALBERT.

Died June 13, 1903.

George B., an only son of the late William G. Walbert and his wife Sarah, *nee* Moyer, was born November 7, 1862, at Macungie, Pa. His preliminary education was obtained in the public schools and at the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, Pa. He was graduated in 1886 in Franklin and Marshall College, and in 1889 in Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa. During his ministry he served four years as pastor of the Orwigsburg charge, and the remaining years of active service were spent in the New Goshenhoppen charge, East Greenville, Pa. In consequence of ill health he resigned his charge in June, 1902. After much suffering, patiently endured for more than four years, he eventually fell asleep June 13, 1903, at the age of 40 years, 7 months and 6 days.

He was married November 14, 1889, to M. Elizabeth Gehman at Macungie, Pa., This marital relation was blessed with two daughters, Ruth and Irene, who with their widowed mother survive to lament the early departure of a beloved husband and kind father. The funeral services were held June 25, 1903, at East Greenville, Pa., and the interment took place in the cemetery of the New Goshenhoppen Reformed Church.

REV. ABRAHAM BARTHOLOMEW.

Died August 15, 1903.

Abraham Bartholomew was born March 17, A. D. 1833, in Dannersville, Northampton county, Pa. He was a son of George H. and Hannah Bartholomew, and a brother of Dr. Allen R. Bartholomew. His early educational training was received in the public schools of his own county. Subsequently he entered the Classical Academy at Easton, Pa., where he made commendable progress in his studies under the moulding influence of Rev. Dr. Thos. G. Apple and Dr. Van Deveer.

His theological training was received at the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa. He was licensed to preach the gospel May, 1861, at Fogelsville, by East Pennsylvania Classis, and in November, during the same year, he was ordained at

Nazareth, Pa., to the holy ministry. Forty years of his life were spent at Lehighton from whence he served no less than nine congregations. The work in the ministry was continued until 1894, when by physical disabilities he was constrained to resign the field of his active labors. After years of endured suffering he closed his eventful life August 15, 1903, at the age of 70 years, 4 months and 28 days.

He was married December 7, 1861, to Sarah Newhard, of Pennsville, who with three sons, Rev. Calvin E., of Cressona; Eugene U., of Wilkes-Barre, and Rev. Albert O., of Easton, survive to mourn his departure.

REV. W. DEWITT CLINTON RODROCK.

Died August 22, 1903.

Entered into life eternal at Paterson, N. J., on Saturday, August 22, 1903, in the 79th year of his age, Rev. W. DeWitt Clinton Rodrock, whose mortal remains were laid to rest August 24, 1903, in Laurel Grove cemetery, near Paterson.

The subject of this sketch, the third son of Dr. John Rodrock and his wife Sara, was born in Bath, Northampton county, Pa., on January 8, 1828. He was baptized March 4, 1828, by his uncle, the Rev. J. C. Becker, D.D., who also confirmed him April 5, 1845, in the Reformed church, Howertown, Pa. In 1846 he entered the preparatory department of Marshall College, Mercersburg, Pa., and graduated in 1852. He was licensed to preach the gospel at a special meeting of Lancaster Classis, Synod of Ohio, August 12, 1852, and ordained pastor of the Reformed church at Delaware, Ohio. On September 9, 1852, he was married to Julia Margaretta, the only daughter of Elder C. B. Weldy, of Mercersburg, Pa., the ceremony being performed by Rev. A. G. Dole of blessed memory.

In 1858 he was called to the Grindstone Hill charge, near Chambersburg, Pa., where he labored successfully until the outbreak of the Civil War. On the 14th of August he was commissioned by Governor Andrew Curtin as chaplain of the 47th Regiment of Pennsylvania Volunteers. He was present with the regiment at Appomattox, Va., April 9th, 1865, when General Lee and his army surrendered to the Union forces, General

Grant in command. In 1876 he served the Blain charge; in 1868 to 1871 the Duncannon charge, and in 1874 to 1877 the Mt. Bethel charge, Centerville, Pa. Being afflicted with bronchial trouble he was compelled to abandon public speaking and to seek lighter occupation. In 1881 to 1885 he was employed as missionary in the service of the Philadelphia Sabbath Association, and from 1885 to 1896 he was in the service of the American Bible Society. In 1883 he established his residence in Paterson, N. J., where he lived happily with his family. He was blessed with six children, four daughters and two sons. The eldest daughter died at the age of nineteen and a son in infancy. His wife and four surviving children, all faithful Christians and happily married, were present at the closing hour when he fell asleep at 3.45 a. m., in the dawn of the summer morning. To his life and his death may be applied the words of the poet:

A little while the tented field, the bugle call, the strife;
The next the shouts of victory, the crown, eternal life.

ARTICLE XIII.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE, THE EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

I. Reports on Franklin and Marshall College and Theological Seminary.

(a) Report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

At the late commencement of Franklin and Marshall College the following degrees were conferred:

A.B.

Guy Wilfred Bange,
Paul Shupe Barnhart,
Harry Andrews Bell,
Harry Murray Bitner,
Guy Pearce Bready,
Thomas Jacob Bright,
Calvin Austin Brown,
Jonas Franklin Bucher,
George Charles Clever,
William Martin Diefenderfer,
Whitel Morton Edwards,
Joseph Albert Eyler,
John Franklin Frantz,
William Seibert Gerhard,

Alfred Jasper Herman,
Edward Augustus G. Herman,
Levi Valmore Hetrick,
Frank Knode Hoffman,
John Adam Hollinger,
Norman Huffman,
Thomas Marcus Kressley,
Alvin Boyd Kuhn,
John Frank Marshall,
Elmer Paul Reiff,
Frederick Michael Richards,
John Nevin Schaeffer,
Edward Charles Seitz,
James Monroe Shellenberger,

Edmund Kailor Shroyer,
Wildy Victor Singer,
Aaron M. Snyder,
Elam Jacob Snyder,
Henry Moyer Snyder,

Claude Urban Stottlemeyer,
Oliver Retledge Strunk,
John Stanley Ulsh,
Harry Bomberger White,
Levi Nevin Wilson,
Calvin Arthur Ziegler.

Ph.B.

Edgar Joseph Stein.

The degree of A. M. in course was conferred upon the following graduates of the College:

Rev. Ambrose D. Gring, '75.	Rev. Henry L. Fogleman, '98.
Mr. Abraham C. Kimler, '81.	H. W. Weidner, '98.
Frederick Clement Moyer, '84.	Rev. Frank K. Baker, '99.
Albert L. G. Hay, Esq., '88.	Aaron W. Longenecker, '99.
William M. Hollowbush, Esq., '93.	Cyrus W. Fridy, '00.
Rev. A. F. Nace, '94.	A. Roswell Gilbert, '00.
Rev. Moses A. Kieffer, '96.	Frank N. Hoffmeier, M. D., '00.
Rev. Samuel H. Stein, '96.	Rev. Harry W. Miller, '00.
Chas. G. Baker, Esq., '97.	M. W. Reed, M.D., '00.
Harold F. Diffenderfer, '98.	W. B. Stottlemeyer, '00.

The following honorary degrees were conferred:

D.D. In Absentia.

Rev. William C. Schaeffer,	Rev. Prof. Frank Grether,
Rev. Walter Russell Breed,	Plymouth, Wis.
Rev. J. Ritchie Smith,	Rev. Wm. E. Hoy,
Rev. T. J. Hacker,	Yochow, Hunan, China.

Litt. D.

Frank R. Diffenderfer,	David McN. Stauffer,
<i>In Absentia,</i>	Lloyd Mifflin.

Sci. D.

Joseph S. Harris,	W. Wilberforce Deatrick,
	Elwood L. Kemp.

LL.D.

Martin G. Brumbaugh, University of Pennsylvania.
In Absentia, Hon. John Stewart.

The college year, so far as the internal working of the institution is concerned, was an uneventful one. There were no serious cases of discipline, and the instruction of the class room was carried forward without interruption. In addition to this a good deal of outside work was done so as to keep the institution in touch with the community, secure new students, etc. This was done by means of correspondence, lectures, sermons, addresses and personal interviews. These efforts, and the celebration of the semi-centennial of the College, warranted the expectation of increased interest and larger attendance. It is pleasant to say that these expectations have been fully realized

and that the outlook for the future in this respect is very encouraging. At the beginning of the Fall term of the present year there were enrolled 47 Freshmen and special students, 9 Sophomores, 2 Juniors and 5 Seniors, making a total of 63. The enrollment at the present time is 175.

A course of four lectures was given before the students during the past year by Revs. Drs. Walter Russell Breed, J. W. Meminger, N. C. Schaeffer, and John W. Appel, Esq. These lectures were greatly appreciated and proved both interesting and helpful to the students.

Important improvements were made in the old college buildings and on the grounds. Those made on the Williamson Athletic Field were especially noticeable. Some of the great annoyances to which the professors and students were heretofore subject have thus been removed, and a larger degree of decency and comfort secured, the influence of which cannot but be beneficial.

Prof. John Quincy Adams, who was last year appointed professor of oratory and assistant in English, and Mr. John G. Chalmers, physical instructor and director of the gymnasium, handed in their resignations, and in their place the Board of Trustees, through their committees, appointed Prof. John M. Chambers and Mr. D. R. Brown respectively to these positions. Prof. H. H. Beck continues to serve as assistant professor in chemistry, and Dr. Charles P. Stahr as lecturer on human anatomy and bacteriology and assistant to Prof. Schiedt in histology.

During the year a vacancy occurred in the Board of Trustees on account of the death of Calvin M. Bower, Esq., a valued member of that body. The vacancy was filled by the appointment of Mr. Jared Harper, of Bellefonte, Pa. The term of service of Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, D.D., LL.D., and B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., members of the Board of Trustees from the Eastern Synod, and that of Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D.D., of the Potomac Synod, expires this year. It is incumbent upon the respective Synods to fill these vacancies by an election at their annual session in October.

The finances of the College, as was to be anticipated, shows a larger deficit for the past year than for the previous year. In the first place, the expenditures for salaries, janitor service,

fuel, gas and electricity were necessarily larger under the new conditions. In the next place, improvements at the main college building had become imperatively necessary, and these involved an outlay of \$1,603.21. In addition to this sum, uninvested sums were temporarily used to pay the indebtedness on the Science Building, and thus a portion of interest was lost. The Treasurer reports the net expenses at \$25,172.17. The income, not including contributions, is \$19,033.48. This leaves a deficit of \$6,138.69. The expenses, however, include an item of \$1,000 which the College paid for the Rathvon collection of Coleoptera. This amount had been previously contributed for the purpose by Dr. Henry Bobb, of East Greenville, Pa.

The Science Building indebtedness gave the President a great deal of concern during the year. It was keenly felt that the amounts pledged should be speedily paid so that the conditional pledges also might be redeemed and the payment of interest stopped. The matter was presented to the three Synods in October last, and they all took favorable action looking to the final removal of the whole indebtedness. The Pittsburgh Synod has paid into the treasury \$5,663.20, which together with \$628.50 in pledges still due will make its full amount of \$12,000. The Potomac Synod paid \$5,000, which will discharge its amount of \$12,000 when unpaid pledges of \$30.25 still due are redeemed. The committee of the Eastern Synod has been doing some work during the year and \$517.50 have been paid in on a pledge of \$2,000 which was expected to be raised in East Susquehanna Classis. The sums pledged and not yet paid into the treasury amount to about \$15,500, so that there ought to be raised to discharge the whole indebtedness on the Science Building about \$6,000 in the Eastern Synod. This amount is needed because the furnishing of the building, the grading of the ground and the construction of walks added considerably to the cost of the building, and meanwhile interest on borrowed money has been accumulating. It is of the highest importance, therefore, that this matter should be speedily adjusted.

During the past year the fixtures for electric lighting in the Science Building were presented by Messrs. Watt & Shand, of Lancaster, at a cost of \$500. The ladies of the faculty and friends in Lancaster have undertaken to furnish the reception

room in the Science Building, which adds greatly to its appearance and to the comfort of visitors. The Linnaean Society is engaged in moving its collection into the Museum room of the Science Building. The Literary Societies have presented their collection of minerals, etc., to the Museum. Recently a set of Japanese armor and other Japanese curios were presented by Rev. Paul Lambert Gerhard, and a fine assortment of roses was planted in front of the Science Building by Mr. George B. Willson, of Lancaster, Pa.

A very valuable collection of terrestrial shells, valued at \$3,000, containing between six and seven thousand varieties, or about 16,000 specimens, carefully labeled, together with a conchological library valued at \$400, has been presented to the College by Miss Eliza E. Smith, of Lancaster City. The collection was made and arranged by the Rev. Dr. A. B. Kendig, of Brookline, Mass., and is the life work of an enthusiastic collector, showing a high degree of industry, patience, skill and ability.

Dr. M. W. Raub, of Lancaster City, has donated his beautiful and valuable collection of birds to the College. He has also a large collection of insects which will go with the ornithological collection. As these treasures in the Museum are accumulating (and there are other valuable gifts in store for us) it becomes imperatively necessary to have a curator who will look after the interests of the Museum and keep the different collections in proper order. Dr. M. W. Raub has been elected to this position and we feel confident that he will render efficient service to the College. We have also received an intimation that before long another valuable contribution will be made to the College as a memorial to a deceased former student, but this matter has not advanced far enough to make a definite statement as to the form which the memorial will take. I have reason to believe that it will be on a generous scale.

The celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the College was an event of far-reaching significance and importance. The large attendance and enthusiasm of the alumni and friends of the College, the notable addresses of the celebration, and especially those made by the representatives of other colleges and universities, the impressive exercises and ceremonials of commencement, all helped to make a profound impression. The celebra-

tion spoke of the past; it brought to light the respect and love for the College which are cherished by the community, and it has a significant bearing on the future, serving both to encourage and to stimulate all those who are actively engaged in promoting the welfare and prosperity of our beloved institution. It is a matter for profound gratitude that there was such widespread interest in the celebration and that the desire to make it a success was so universal. The thanks of the College are due to the alumni and friends in general who contributed to the success of this undertaking, but it would be unjust not to refer in terms of warmest appreciation to the generosity, zeal and devotion of the local committee, the indefatigable labors of its chairman and his associates, the liberality of the citizens of Lancaster, the splendid labors of Professors Hiester, Heller and Hartman, and the grand work of Mr. Samuel H. Ranck, whose efforts helped to shape the movement from the beginning and whose unwearied labors contributed not a little to the splendid results which followed. The Rev. Miles O. Noll, of Carlisle, Pa., whose services were secured by the committee and members of the Board of Trustees to assist in working up an interest in the celebration and make the necessary preparations for it, rendered very effective service during the short time he was at work and his labors are gratefully appreciated.

Special attention is called to the History of the College written by the Rev. Dr. J. H. Dubbs, and the catalogue of officers and students prepared by Mr. Samuel H. Ranck. These works are monuments of industry which have received very flattering notice on all sides. They reflect great credit upon their authors and upon the College and compare favorably with similar publications issued by the larger colleges and universities of the country.

It is felt on all sides that the most urgent need of the College now is an increase of the endowment. Efforts were made during the past year to get the movement in favor of such an increase properly started, and such preparatory steps were taken as the circumstances made possible. The time has come for a division of labor in the administration of affairs and a vigorous prosecution of the work of the College in the field. The question of relieving the president of a portion of the burdens and labors which he has been carrying was presented to the

Board of Trustees and a committee was appointed by the Board with plenary powers to make such readjustment and arrangement as the circumstances called for. This committee has taken steps to redistribute work at home and secure a vigorous canvass abroad. Professor Edwin M. Hartman has been appointed assistant to the president for the special purpose of keeping the College in touch with the community and prospective students and to push the effort now made to raise \$150,000 as an addition to the endowment of the College. As is well known, generous pledges toward a larger endowment were made at the last commencement and the movement is gathering volume from week to week. The pledges and contributions of the Golden Jubilee movement up to this time amount to about \$33,000, including a contribution of \$5,000 as an additional endowment to the Daniel Scholl Observatory, by Mrs. Margaret E. M. Hood, and a gift of \$10,000 by a friend whose name is withheld by request.

It is of the utmost importance, now, that the strength and enthusiasm of the alumni and friends of the College should be thrown into this endowment movement. Such an effort successfully carried out will not only secure the greatest possible benefit to the College, but it will also carry with it incidentally a great many other things essential to the advancement and prosperity of the College. In this way, with God's blessing, the fruits of the Golden Jubilee will be as significant for the future as they are helpful and encouraging in the present.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR, *Pres. F. and M. College.*

(b) Report of the Board of Visitors of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: I herewith submit to your reverend body the annual report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary, for the year ending May 14, 1903.

1. The Seminary opened on Thursday, September 11, 19

2. The following persons were admitted to the Junior Class :

John F. Buchheit,
Charles P. Freeman,
Edwin Simon Lamar,
Charles Edward Meyers,
Jacob D. Ranck,
Edwin E. Romig,
Cyrus George Shupe,

John Hassler Detrick,
Elnathan Lewis Higbee,
W. D. Marburger,
Samuel Edward Moyer,
Wm. E. Rittenhouse,
Charles Edgar Roth,
Jacob Wm. Zehring.

Of this number Jacob D. Ranck and Edwin E. Romig are ministers of other denominations and are pursuing a partial course. The members of this class passed their examinations satisfactorily and were advanced to the Middle Class. Total 16.

3. The members of the Middle Class passed satisfactory examinations and were advanced to the Senior Class. Total 8.

4. Wm. B. Koehler of the Senior Class was called to his reward during the year. By his death the institution suffered the loss of one who stood high in the esteem of his professors and enjoyed the affection and respect of his classmates.

Franklin P. Miller, after having pursued his studies regularly from September, 1899, to February, 1901, was called to a professorship in the Kutztown Normal Institute. Since then he has pursued his studies privately, having taken two years for the Senior course. He was examined before the Board in May, 1901, as a Middler, and in May, 1903, as a Senior, and graduated with his class. In this exceptional case the Board passed upon the merits of his work and the peculiar circumstances in which this student was placed, and in graduating him affirmed no policy as to the future. Each extraordinary case must be considered and decided on its own merits. The examinations of the Senior Class were satisfactory and the testimonial was granted to the graduates :

Frank Kaufman Baker,
Blanchard Allen Black,
Paul Samuel Bridenbaugh,
Edward David Bright,
Perry Crothers Byers,
Wm. Henry Causey,
Calvin Martin DeLong,
Elias Franklin Faust,
Aaron Manns Gluck,
Daniel Gress,
Benj. Keener Hay,
Samuel Charles Hoover,

Wm. H. Kerschner,
Edwin S. Leinbach,
Franklin Pierce Miller,
Charles Lewis Noss,
Richard Radcliffe,
Clayton Haverstick Ranck,
Frank Wilbur Shulenberg,
Simon Sipple,
Calvin K. Staudt,
Karl Stein,
Charles Warlick,
Kitutaro Yoshida.

Of the above Frank H. Baker and Richard Radcliffe are ministers of other denominations. Total 24.

5. At the request of the Senior Class the usual order of graduation exercises was changed. Instead of essays to be read by members of the class an address by one of the alumni was substituted. The address was delivered by Rev. A. S. Weber, D.D. The Board approved the above change for this particular year but declined to make it permanent. For good and sufficient reasons it determined to preserve the old custom as one better for the student body.

6. The Board is gratified to report through the faculty that the scholarship and conduct of the students have been satisfactory.

7. One of our professors, Rev. Wm. Rupp, D.D., was, in December last, ordered by his physician to suspend for a time all work in his department, and, under a later order of his physician, Dr. Rupp was constrained to suspend his labors for the remainder of the Seminary year. After a season of rest he was able to be present at the examinations without taking part therein. It is our hope that his improvement will be permanent and that his valuable services may be continued. We note with grateful appreciation the fact that the other professors, of their own volition and so far as their duties would permit, divided the studies of Dr. Rupp's department among themselves, so that the students should not be wholly deprived of this part of their course.

8. The Board respectfully asks the three Synods to provide seven hundred and fifty dollars (\$750) for the employment of a Professor of Oratory, the said sum to be divided as follows: Eastern Synod, \$375; Pittsburgh Synod, \$125; Synod of the Potomac, \$250.

9. The term of Rev. J. F. Snyder, Pittsburgh Synod, expires 1903.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER.

Harrisburg, Pa., October 5, 1903.

(c) **Report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.**

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Enclosed find the abstract of the annual report of John B. Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

During the past year the Board held two regular meetings. The first meeting was held on May 10th, 1903, when the following officers were elected: President, John W. Appel, Esq.; Vice-President, John D. Skiles; Treasurer, John B. Roth, and Secretary, Jeremiah S. Hess.

The second meeting was held October 6th, 1903.

Rev. Dr. J. I. Swander reported that the Endowment Fund of the Swander Memorial Fund was in excellent condition.

The Endowment Fund was reduced \$900.30 by the cancellation of worthless paper.

The following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the Synods be requested to appropriate \$2,400 toward the payment of the annual expenses of the Seminary in the following ratio: Eastern Synod, \$1,200; Potomac Synod, \$800; Pittsburgh Synod, \$400.

Resolved, That the attention of the Synods be respectfully called again to the deficit which now amounts to \$7,646.28, and which will be increased by the necessary expenses of repainting the Seminary Building and the reinsurance of the property.

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS, *Secretary*.

(d) **Report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary.**

LANCASTER, PA., October 1st, 1903.

John B. Roth, Treasurer, in account with the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

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1903.

		For interest received of:	
Oct.	1.	E. M. Eshelman to Oct. 1, 1902.....	\$ 100 00
Oct.	2.	W. U. Hensel to Oct. 1, 1902	75 00
Oct.	8.	Keefer Legacy, on account	161 45
Nov.	1.	Sue R. Wolfersberger, on account.. .	40 00
Nov.	6.	Keefer Legacy, on account.....	62 50
Nov.	6.	Cooke Legacy to Oct. 1, 1902.....	30 00

Nov. 6.	Sunbury, Haz. & W. bonds to Nov. 1, 1902	28 00
Nov. 6.	Scranton Tract. bonds to Nov. 1, 1902..	30 00
Nov. 6.	Harrisburg & Balt. bonds to Nov. 1, 1902	23 00
Nov. 6.	West End Tract. bond to Nov. 1, 1902..	2 50
Nov. 12.	E. H. Perry Mortg. to Aug. 18, 1902....	60 00
Nov. 20.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, telephone.....	6 00
Nov. 29.	Penn. R. R. stock to Nov. 1902.....	40 50
Dec. 1.	Lehigh Val. R. R. bond to Dec. 1, 1902..	150 00
Dec. 6.	E. E. Smith, loan to Dec. 5, 1902.....	30 90
Dec. 30.	Wash'g & Lake Erie bds., to Jan. 1, '03.	150 00
1903.		
Jan. 10.	H. Wood Flinn, to Jan. 1, 1903.....	62 50
Jan. 12.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co., Divid. No. 53..	20 00
Jan. 23.	Julia and W. P. Withers, to Oct. 1, 1902	200 00
Feb. 2.	Salem Coal Bonds, to Feb. 1, 1903.....	25 00
Feb. 5.	P. M. Ermantrout, on account.....	70 00
Feb. 26.	E. H. Perry Mortg. to Feb. 18, 1903....	60 00
Mch. 2.	Springfield Water Bds., Mar. 1, 1903....	37 50
Mch. 2.	Berwyn Water Bds, Mar. 1, 1903.....	60 00
Mch. 10.	Elam K. Herr, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	78 00
Mch. 20.	Sue R. Wolfersberger, on account.....	30 00
Mch. 24.	W. U. Hensel, trustee, to Apr. 1, 1903..	75 00
Mch. 24.	C. S. Herr, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	200 00
Mch. 26.	Edith Smithgall, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	27 50
Mch. 26.	James Smithgall	13 16
Mch. 27.	Aaron Cunkle, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	20 00
Mch. 28.	A. A. Fritz, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	58 75
Mch. 30.	Lanc. Tract. Co., to Apr. 1, 1903.....	137 50
Mch. 31.	B. S. Shindle, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	125 00
Mch. 31.	Geo. W. Schroyer, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	95 00
Mch. 31.	Wm. S. Martin, Treas., to Apr. 1, 1903..	55 00
Mch. 31.	W. C. Armstrong, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	275 00
Apr. 1.	I. Grant Westley, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	48 00
Apr. 1.	Stephen J. Johnson, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	75 00
Apr. 1.	Isaac S. Groff, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	82 50
Apr. 1.	E. M. Eshelman, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	100 00
Apr. 2.	Simon Shissler, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	22 92
Apr. 2.	Lillie R. Bushong, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	125 00
Apr. 4.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, D.D., telephone....	3 00
Apr. 4.	John I. Bosslar, on account.....	5 00
Apr. 7.	East Susq. Classis, to Mar. 4, 1903.....	15 00
Apr. 8.	P. M. Ermantrout, on account.....	100 00
Apr. 8.	Amos Christ, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	90 00
Apr. 8.	Cooke Legacy, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	30 00
Apr. 8.	Keefer Legacy, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	252 50
Apr. 10.	Lehigh Classis, to Apr. 1, 1903.....	15 00
Apr. 14.	W. I. Hambright, to Apr. 17, 1903.....	75 00
Apr. 15.	W. S. Martin, Treas., to Apr. 15, 1903..	72
May 4.	Sunbury, Haz. & W. Bds., May 1, 1903..	28 00
May 4.	Harrisburg & Balto. Bds., May 1, 1903..	23 00
May 4.	Scranton Tract. Co., Bds., May 1, 1903..	30 00
May 4.	West End Tract. Co. Bds., to May 1, 1903	2 50
May 29.	Penn. R. R. Div. to May, 1903.....	40 50
May 30.	Lehigh Val. R. R. Bds., to June 1, 1903..	150 00
June 4.	Chas. H. Locher, to June 4, 1903.....	112 50
June 30.	Wash. & Lake Erie Bds., to July 1, 1903.	150 00
July 1.	John C. Bowman, D.D., telephone.....	3 00
July 10.	St. John's Ch., Shamokin, to June 1, '03	12 50
July 13.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co., Div. 54.....	20 00

3.	A. A. Fritz, to Oct. 1, 1903.....	58 75	
.	Salem Coal Bds., to Aug. 1, 1903.....	25 00	
.	H. Wood Flinn, to July 1, 1903.....	62 50	
.	Certificate of Deposit to date.....	15 00	
.	Loan to date	16 55	
.	Harrisburg Brdg. Co., to Aug. 1, 1903..	1 03	
.	Aaron Cunkle in full.....	8 35	
.	Springfield Water Bds., to Sept. 1, '03..	37 50	
.	Berwyn Water Bds., Sept. 1, 1903.....	60 00	
.	John Becker property	52 35	
.	Chas. H. Locher, interest in full.....	225 00	
.	Perry Mortgage to Aug. 18, 1903.....	60 00	
.	G. Harry Reed, interest in full.....	23 75	
.	Endt. Fund, by Sem. Aid Fund, Oct. 1, '03	495 68	
.	Edith Smithgall, Oct. 1, 1903.....	27 50	
.	Janitor Seminary, coal	22 50	
.	John F. Bossler, interest to Apr. 1, 1903	59 00	
.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D., to Sept. 11, '03.	15 00	
.	Coal sold	18 50	
.	J. C. Bowman, D.D., to Oct. 1, 1903.....	40 00	
.	John B. Roth, Jr., interest, Oct 1, 1903..	112 50	
.	Balance Seminary Aid Fund as income..	1,434 09	
.	Berry S. Shindle, to Oct. 1, 1903.....	125 00	
.	Simon Shissler, to Oct. 1, 1903.....	62 50	
.	Lanc. Tract. Co., Bonds.....	137 50	
.	W. H. Reineer, on account	40 00	
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By amount due Endowment Fund to date:

1.	Balance due Endowment Fund to date..	\$6,984 50
5.	Amt. paid Penn. Telephone Co., Jan. 1, '03	9 30
5.	Seminary Electric Light bill.....	1 60
5.	Lanc. Sheet Metal Co.....	2 00
5.	Postoffice box	1 00
5.	Lanc. Paint and Glass Co.....	1 90
1.	Seminary Add.	2 00
2.	Seminary Water bill, Oct. 1, 1902.....	1 15
3.	B. B. Martin Co., coal to date.....	47 66
5.	Rev. Dr. Richards, bill	1 35
5.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., on account salary..	200 00
5.	F. A. Gast, D.D., account salary.....	200 00
5.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D., account salary	200 00
5.	Prof. J. Q. Adams, account salary.....	75 00
.	Seminary electric light bill.....	3 10
.	Henry S. Rich, insurance	8 40
.	Seminary Add., Church Almanac.....	23 00
.	Jas. Smithgall, bill	15 00
.	Permit to city sewer connection.....	25 00
.	John B. Roth, Treas., account salary....	50 00
.	Shreiner & Stauffer, bill to date.....	4 16
.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, bill stained glass....	5 00
.	Seminary Add. in Sagitta.....	2 50
.	Jas. Smithgall, building sewer	38 00
.	E. V. Gerhard, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1903	175 00
.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1903..	175 00
.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, '03	175 00
.	John Q. Adams, salary to Jan. 1, 1903...	75 00
.	Seminary electric light bill, Nov., 1902..	4 30

Dec. 6.	B. B. Martin, coal bill	69 17
Dec. 9.	F. and M. College, coal bill.....	42 34
Dec. 13.	Steinman Hardware Co., bill	1 50
Dec. 13.	John Best Estate	12 76
Dec. 18.	Jas. Smithgall, account salary.....	50 00
Dec. 23.	John B. Roth, account salary.....	25 00
1903.		
Jan. 1.	John B. Roth, salary to Jan. 1, 1903....	50 00
Jan. 2.	Seminary electric light bill.....	2 90
Jan. 5.	P. O. box rent and telephone to Apr. 1..	10 00
Jan. 6.	Steinman Hardware Co.,	3 24
Jan. 6.	F. and M. College, coal bill.....	48 15
Jan. 24.	Seminary water bill, meter	65
Jan. 24.	J. C. Bowman, water bill, meter.....	50
Feb. 4.	Seminary electric light bill, Jan., 1903..	2 62
Feb. 4.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., on salary account.	200 00
Feb. 4.	F. A. Gast, D.D.,	200 00
Feb. 4.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D.	200 00
Feb. 4.	Prof. J. Q. Adams ..	75 00
Feb. 5.	F. and M. College coal bill	11 10
Feb. 6.	Adams & Eckman, coal bill.....	25 15
Feb. 6.	Phila. & Reading R. R., freight bill....	36 53
Feb. 6.	Finance Co. of Penna., coal bill.....	91 31
Mch. 2.	Seminary electric light bill, Feb.....	5 25
Mch. 4.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary to Apr. 1, '03	175 00
Mch. 4.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Apr. 1, 1903..	175 00
Mch. 4.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Apr. 1, '03	175 00
Mch. 4.	Prof. John Q. Adams, salary to Apr. 1, '03	75 00
Mch. 6.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D.....	14 25
Mch. 9.	Phila. & Reading R. R. Co., frienght....	36 15
Mch. 9.	Adams & Eckman, hauling coal.....	9 64
Mch. 12.	Finance Co. of Penna., coal bill.....	90 38
Mch. 12.	Repairs to water meter	2 80
Mch. 13.	John B. Roth, salary account.....	25 00
Mch. 26.	James Smithgall, salary Apr. 1, 1903....	160 00
Mch. 28.	John B. Roth, salary to Apr. 1, 1903....	100 00
Apr. 2.	Seminary electric light bill.....	4 12
Apr. 2.	L. B. Herr, bill	80
Apr. 2.	D. W. Nothy & Bro ..	3 80
Apr. 2.	Postoffice box	1 00
Apr. 6.	Herman Wohlsen, repairs	6 00
Apr. 6.	Seminary catalogues	90 50
Apr. 7.	Penn Telephone bill, July 1, '03.....	9 00
Apr. 18.	Water bill, Seminary, meter to Apr. 1...	7 40
Apr. 18.	Water bill, J. C. Bowman, meter to Apr. 1	4 60
Apr. 25.	B. B. Martin Co., bill	2 13
May 2.	Seminary electric light bill.....	2 48
May 4.	Seminary Add.	5 00
May 4.	Schaff Prize Fund, interest to May 8....	94 20
May 4.	Class '92, to May 8, 1903.....	23 97
May 4.	City water tax on Seminary houses.....	34 20
May 4.	E. V. Gerhart, salary account.....	200 00
May 4.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary account.....	200 00
May 4.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D., salary account..	200 00
May 4.	Prof. J. Q. Adams, salary account.....	75 00
May 8.	A. S. George, bill, repairs.....	2 50
May 13.	John B. Roth, on account salary.....	50 00
May 15.	McFarland & Co., bill, diplomas.....	18 75
May 23.	Keystone Lumber Co., bill	13 20

May 23.	E. A. Nace, Seminary Add.....	6 00
May 27.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary to July 1, '03	175 00
May 27.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to July 1, '03....	175 00
May 27.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to July 1, '03	175 00
May 27.	Prof. J. Q. Adams, salary to July 1, '03..	75 00
May 27.	John B. Roth, Treas., salary to July 1, '03	75 00
May 27.	C. F. Newell's bill repairs, Janitor house	21 00
May 29.	James Smithgall, on account salary.....	25 00
May 30.	D. H. Wenger & Bro., bill.....	1 45
May 30.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., postage.....	11 00
June 1.	Daniel Brown, bill	19 50
June 1.	Seminary electric light bill.....	1 24
June 11.	Caldwell Lawn Mower Co.	5 00
June 13.	Seminary Add. in 1904 Oriflamme.....	10 00
June 13.	Day book	50
June 15.	H. S. Williamson, bill.....	6 77
June 26.	Penn. R. R. Co., freight bill on coal....	94 24
June 26.	Sundry bills	1 48
June 27.	Wm. Reist, hauling coal	20 93
July 1.	D. B. Landis, printing	4 75
July 1.	Penn. R. R., freight on coal.....	26 12
July 2.	Eyer Spyker Coal Co., Seminary coal...	178 30
July 2.	A. H. Eshelman, bill, painting.....	57 00
July 2.	Seminary electric light bill	1 00
July 3.	Postoffice box rent	1 00
July 3.	H. Garracht & Son, hauling coal.....	6 77
July 7.	Penn. Telephone Co., to Oct. 1, 1903....	9 00
July 15.	Lanc. Sheet Metal Co., bill	3 25
July 15.	Harvey L. Heise, bill	4 35
July 15.	Seminary water bill, meter July 1, '03...	3 45
July 24.	Edw. Edgerley, bill	71
July 27.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., on salary account..	200 00
July 27.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary account.....	200 00
July 27.	Geo. W. Richards, on salary account....	200 00
July 27.	Prof. J. Q. Adams, salary in full.....	150 00
July 27.	John B. Roth, Treas., salary on account	50 00
Aug. 1.	Seminary electric light bill.....	1 00
Aug. 10.	Jas. Smithgall, building sewer	75 00
Aug. 10.	Herr and Snavley, bill	5 20
Sept. 1.	E. V. Gerhart, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, '03.	175 00
Sept. 1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, '03...	175 00
Sept. 1.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, '03	175 00
Sept. 2.	Seminary electric light bill	1 00
Sept. 2.	W. E. Messner, brushes	7 00
Sept. 8.	Steinman Hard. Co.	19 92
Sept. 8.	Smaltz Legacy Fund, Oct. 1, '03.....	250 00
Sept. 8.	Klopp Legacy Fund, Oct. 1, '03..	40 00
Sept. 9.	L. B. Herr, bill	50
Sept. 9.	Henry Wirt Alcove Fund, Oct. 1, '03....	45 00
Sept. 9.	L. C. Shriver Alcove Fund, Oct. 1, '03...	45 00
Sept. 9.	Jacob Forney Alcove Fund, Oct. 1, '03..	45 00
Sept. 9.	Seminary Library Fund, Oct. 1, '03.....	52 80
Sept. 11.	Cash due Seminary Class '91.....	35 00
Sept. 22.	W. U. Hensel, prof'l services.....	50 00
Sept. 22.	James Smithgall, salary Oct. 1, '03.....	185 00
Sept. 22.	John B. Roth, Treas., Oct. 1, '03	75 00
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		\$15,808 23

JACOB FORNEY LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1903.					
Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund.....		\$1,000	00
			Dr		
Oct.	1.	Balance due Fund	\$46	52	
Sept.	9.	Interest to Oct. 1, 1903.....	45	00	
				<u>\$91</u>	52
			Cr.		
1902.					
Nov.	4.	Bill paid per voucher ..	\$	5	00
Nov.	19.	" " "		14	84
1903.					
Feb.	4.	" " "		8	00
Feb.	10.	" " "		7	83
Aug.	13.	" " "		8	00
Aug.	13.	" " "		5	00
				<u>48</u>	67
		Balance due Fund, Oct. 1, 1903.....	\$42	85	

ANDREW KEISER AND CATHARINE W. SCHRIVER LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

		Amount of Fund	\$1,000	00	
			Dr.		
Oct.	1.	Balance due Fund	\$94	78	
1903.					
Sept.	9.	Interest to Oct. 1, 1903.....	45	00	
				<u>\$139</u>	78
		Balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1903			

HENRY WIRT ALCOVE FUND.

		Amount of Fund	\$1,000	00	
			Dr		
1902.					
Oct.	1.	Balance due Fund	\$42	64	
1903.					
Sept.	9.	Interest to Oct. 1, 1903	45	00	
				<u>\$87</u>	64
			Cr.		
1902.					
Nov.	10.	Bill paid per voucher	\$	2	36
Nov.	19.	" " "		14	84
				<u>17</u>	20
		Balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1903	\$70	44	

1894.

SEMINARY CLASS '94 ALCOVE FUND.

July	1.	Amount of notes placed in hands of Treasurer for collection	\$981	00	
			Dr.		
1903.					
Sept.	9.	Amount of notes paid to date	\$503	00	
Sept.	9.	Unpaid notes in Treasurer's hands	478	00	
				<u>\$981</u>	00
1903.					
Oct.	1.	Interest in hands of Treasurer as Cr., on Fund	\$81	22	

LECTURE FUND THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1902.		Dr	
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund		\$21 96
1903.		Cr	
Mar. 12.	By check to C. K. Standt, Treas.		\$11 77
	Amount Dr. brought down		11 96
	Balance due Treasurer		21

JACOB V. DIETZ LIBRARY FUND.

Amount of Fund	\$ 4,000 00
Interest bearing from April 1, 1903.	

PITTSBURG PROFESSORSHIP FUND.

1903.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund		\$30,500 00
		Dr	
Oct. 1.	Interest received on same to date		\$1,815 00
		Cr	
Oct. 1.	Interest paid Wm. Rupp, D.D.		1,815 00

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AID FUND

1902.			
Oct. 8.	Amount received Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas.		\$141 90
Oct. 11.	Amount Received Potomac Synod, Geo. N. Forney, Treas.		85 75
Oct. 16.	Amount Received Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas.		95 00
Oct. 17.	Amount Received Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas.		15 00
Oct. 30.	Amount Received Eastern Synod, J. J. Nissley, Treas.		80 00
1903.			
Apr. 14.	Amount Received Eastern Synod, S. M. Gingrich, Treas.		73 00
Apr. 25.	Amount Received Pittsburgh Synod, Rev. D. H. Leader, Treas.		425 00
May 5.	Amount Received A. Swenck, Norristown, Pa.		2 33
May 5.	Amount Received Eastern Synod, S. M. Gingrich, Treas.		88 66
May 6.	Amount Received North Carolina Classis, M. J. Rowe, Treas.		25 00
May 29.	Amount Received Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod		52 49
June 3.	Amount Received Potomac Synod, Geo. N. Forney, Treas.		344 98
June 6.	Amount Received Eastern Synod, S. M. Gingrich, Treasurer		464 06
Sept. 5.	Amount Received Eastern Synod, S. M. Gingrich, Treasurer		36 60
			<u>\$1,929 77</u>
1903.		Cr	
Sept. 12.	By interest paid to Endowment Fund account to Oct. 1, 1903		\$495 68
Sept. 29.	By balance Seminary Aid Fund charged to Treasurer and accounted for in his Current Expense account		1,434 09
			<u>\$1,929 77</u>

STATEMENT OF ALL FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER

October 1, 1903.

1902. Endowment Fund, general\$95,948 26
 Oct. 25. Received from Wilhelm Estate 383 67

Total General Fund\$96,331 93
 Endowment Fund, special, J. Riegel..\$15,680 00
 Endowment Fund, special, W. A. Wilt, 833 33

Total Endowment Fund Eastern Synod.....\$112,845 26

Library Fund 1,819 96
 Smaltz Fund 5,000 00
 Class '92 Prize Fund 483 03
 Schaff Prize Fund 2,000 75
 Jacob Forney Seminary Alcove Fund..... 1,000 00
 Henry Wirt Alcove Fund 1,000 00
 A. Keiser and C. W. Schriver Alcove Fund.. 1,000 00
 Seminary Class '94 Alcove Fund 981 00
 Jacob Y. Dietz Library Fund 4,000 00
 Jacob Y. Dietz Prize Fund 2,000 00
 Endowment Fund Pittsburgh Synod 30,500 00

\$162,630 00

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. ROTH,

Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

The undersigned, a Committee appointed by the Board to Examine the several accounts of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary, report that we attended to the duty assigned us and find them correct.

JOHN D. SKILES,
 JOHN W. APPEL,
Committee.

Oct. 3, 1903.

(e) Report of the Board of Education.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The Board of Education of the Eastern Synod, at the annual meeting held May 12, 1903, organized by electing the following officers: President, Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., Allentown, Pa.; Secretary, Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. John Hertzler, Lancaster, Pa.

In the past year the Board of Education, out of its income, aided seven students for the ministry; the Classis of Tohickon aided one, and the Classis of Wyoming aided two; a total of ten students, the appropriations aggregating \$1,275. Three of these students graduated in May.

In the current year the Board of Education is aiding seven students; the Classis of Lehigh is aiding one; the Classis of Tohickon is aiding one; and the Classis of Wyoming is aiding

one; a total of ten students; the appropriations aggregate \$1,320.

The Board of Education, on request, and after ten years of faithful service in the ministry of the Church, cancelled and surrendered the obligations of four ministers who were aided while students, the obligations aggregating \$2,826.59; and also the obligation of a former student, who died within the year, for \$235; making the total amount of the obligations cancelled, \$3,061.59.

Moneys were refunded within the year as follows: Rev. Geo. A. Dreibelbies, \$10; Mr. Calvin J. Rhen, \$12.50; Rev. J. K. Adams, \$100; and contributions were made as follows: Mrs. John E. Alexander, \$100; Rev. J. C. Bowman, D.D., \$30; a total of \$252.50.

A copy of the Treasurer's annual report for the year beginning May 6, 1902, and ending May 12, 1903, with the report of the Auditing Committee appended, is herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. LICHLITER,

Secretary of the Board of Education.

Lancaster, Pa., October 27, 1903.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance	\$1,743 39
Principal of Jacob Y. Dietz bequest	4,000 00
Interest and dividends on investments	639 50
Collections and contributions	252 50
Offerings of churches:	
Per J. H. Sechler, Treas. Classis of Philadelphia....	\$ 78 39
Church of Ascension, Norristown, Pa.	32 38
Christ Church, Norristown, Pa.	45 76
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	156 53
Received from Classis of Wyoming	250 00
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	\$7,041 92

DISBURSEMENTS.

To students aided by Board of Education.....	\$ 875 00
To student of Classis of Tohickon	150 00
To student of Classis of Wyoming	250 00
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	\$1,275 00
Investments	\$5,450 00
Accrued interest on investments.....	32 51
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	5,482 51
H. C. Miller, compensation	25 00
Wm. F. Lichliter, salary	50 00
Receipt books	1 75

Postage	3 23
Balance	204 43
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	\$7,041 92
May 12, 1903, to balance	\$ 204 43

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HERTZLER, *Treasurer*.

Lancaster, Pa., May 12, 1903.

We, the undersigned, have examined the above account and find the same to be correct, showing a balance of \$204.43. The securities have been examined and found as listed.

NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER,
ELLIS N. KREMER

Lancaster, Pa., May 12, 1903.

Attest: WM. F. LICHLITER, *Secretary*.

Lancaster, Pa., October 27, 1903.

II. Report of the Standing Committee on Franklin and Marshall College and the Theological Seminary.

The report on College and Seminary was presented on the fifth day of the sessions, acted on and disposed of item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, namely:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: There were referred to your Committee on College and Seminary the following documents:

1. The report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.
2. A catalogue of Franklin and Marshall College.
3. The report of the Board of Visitors of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
4. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
5. The report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
6. The report of the Secretary of the Board of Education of this Synod.

Your committee offers for your consideration and action the following:

(A) FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE.

From the President's annual report we learn that the college year, though uneventful so far as the internal working of the institution is concerned, was in other respects one of the most eventful years in the history of the institution.

Improvements in buildings and grounds, donations of valuable collections for the museum, valuable gifts to the Library, and prospects for further gifts are noted.

But the great event of the year was the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of the College. The significance of this celebration cannot well be measured. That because of it the College has now a warmer place in the heart of the community in which it is located than ever before cannot be questioned; that she occupies a higher place in the respect of the colleges and universities of America because of what their representatives saw and heard during the celebration is evident; and that by reason of it her alumni and friends are warmer and more earnest in their devotion to her best interests and continued prosperity is evidencing itself in many ways.

The publication of the history of the College, of a catalogue of officers and students, together with other publications in connection with the celebration was a wise and timely undertaking, and the immense labors connected with these publications and the results achieved will stand as abiding testimony to the patient research, the distinguished ability and the unqualified faithfulness of those by whom the work was done. The influence of this work for good to the College and through the College to the Church will be lasting.

The most practical result of the celebration is the movement for the increased endowment of the College—a movement which we learn is progressing encouragingly, and which it is to be hoped will be pushed to completion at an early day.

The report of the President refers to the debt on the Science Building. The Pittsburgh and the Potomac Synods have practically redeemed their pledges for this object. This Synod has been somewhat slower in this matter. Because of this there remains a debt on the Science Building of about \$6,000 which is unprovided for. This amount should be raised very speedily inasmuch as the payment of pledges amounting to about \$15,000 is conditioned by the raising of this amount.

The report also notes the death of Calvin M. Bower, Esq., an honored member of the Board of Trustees.

We present the following resolutions for your consideration:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod heartily rejoices in the continued prosperity of Franklin and Marshall College, and that record

be and hereby is made of its thankfulness to Almighty God for His favor and blessing upon the work of this institution.

2. *Resolved*, That Synod joins with the College in thanking Miss Eliza E. Smith, Dr. M. W. Raub, General J. W. de Peyster, LL.D., and others for their very valuable gifts to the College.

3. *Resolved*, That Synod expresses its sincere sorrow because of the death of one of the devoted Trustees of the College, Calvin M. Bower, Esq.

4. *Resolved*, That Synod learns with pleasure of the successful celebration of the Golden Jubilee and hereby makes public record of its thankfulness to God for the faith of the fathers who founded, and for the devotion of the friends, professors, and trustees, who supported and advanced Franklin and Marshall College to the possibility of celebrating her Golden Jubilee.

5. *Resolved*, That Synod hereby makes record of its appreciation of, and thankfulness for the very excellent work done by the Jubilee Committee, by the Rev. Prof. J. H. Dubbs, D.D., LL.D., by Mr. S. H. Ranck, and others, in connection with the celebration, and that the Corresponding Secretary be hereby instructed to convey this action to the parties concerned.

6. *Resolved*, That Synod, heartily rejoicing in the auspicious inauguration of the movement for increasing the endowment of the College by \$150,000, and recognizing it as one of the very important movements of the Church, hereby calls upon all the friends of the College within its bounds to an earnest effort to make it successful, as well as also the work of raising enough money to pay the debt on the Science Building, and therefore requests open fields and hearty co-operation for Prof. E. M. Hartman, and the Committee on Science Building Debt, which has consented to assist him in his work in this Synod.

7. *Resolved*, That Synod hereby requests the friends of the College to give the publications in connection with the Jubilee, especially the "History of the College" and the "Catalogue of Officers and Students" the widest possible circulation.

(B) EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

From the various reports pertaining to this institution we learn that the work of the past year has been successfully ac-

complished; that one of its honored professors, the Rev. Wm. Rupp, D.D., was, through illness, temporarily disabled; that the deficit in current expense account was not so large as in former years; and that request is made for \$375 for Professor of Oratory and \$1,200 for current expenses.

We present the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod rejoices in the evidences of God's blessing upon its "school of the prophets," and hereby makes record of its thankfulness to Him for this blessing and for the evidences of His continual favor.

2. *Resolved*, That Synod tenders Rev. Prof. Wm. Rupp, D.D., its prayerful sympathy, and hopes for his complete restoration to health, and for many more years of active service.

3. *Resolved*, That the request for \$375 for Professor of Oratory and for \$1,200 for current expenses be granted, and that these amounts be referred to the Finance Committee for apportionment.

4. *Resolved*, That the various charges be requested by Synod, through the Classes, to assist its Committee on Current Expenses and Endowment of the Seminary, by paying in full, and promptly as possible, the apportionments for this institution.

(C) THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

The report of the Secretary of the Board of Education notes the work of the Board during the year; the amount of money received and disbursed, and the names of the officers of the Board.

We present the following resolution:

Resolved, That Synod heartily commends the work of its Board of Education and hopes the Church will, through its liberality, assist it in enlarging its work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SCHNEDER, J. O. OSWALD,
THOS. H. KRICK, J. B. KIEFFER.

The Necessity of a Larger Endowment for Franklin and Marshall College.

On the fourth day of the sessions the courtesy of the Synod was accorded to Prof. E. M. Hartman, who presented in a brief address the favorable outlook of our institutions at Lancaster, Pa.; the present financial status of the College and the need of

the cordial co-operation of the Church, as well as that of the alumni of the institution, to raise the endowment required to carry forward the interests of the College successfully.

Franklin and Marshall Jubilee Celebration.

In response to first item in report on Minutes of Synod in regard to the Jubilee Celebration of Franklin and Marshall College, the following report was presented and the same was adopted:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee appointed at the Synod of last year to encourage the commemoration of Franklin and Marshall College Jubilee within the bounds of Eastern Synod beg to report that we published a circular requesting the celebration in all the congregations of Synod on Reformation Day in June, 1903, and that by way of furnishing helpful literature on the subject the Messenger published a special Jubilee number during the week preceding. Your committee also co-operated with similar committee of sister Synods and with the central committee at Lancaster. To secure the largest possible attendance at the Jubilee celebration in June, your committee authorized its chairman to have prepared an ornamental sticker to be used on mail matter and to keep the subject before the attention of the loyal sons of the College in the interim. Your committee have no bill of expenses to present but the enclosed bill for printing circulars, envelopes and stickers. The members of your committee, consisting of a representative of each Classis, are: Rev. G. A. Schwedes, Rev. V. W. Dippel, Rev. Thos. L. Bickel, Rev. W. Stuart Cremer, Rev. I. M. Schaeffer, Rev. A. M. Schmidt, Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Rev. C. S. Wieand, Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, D.D., Rev. S. L. Whitmore, Rev. W. D. Happel, H. Y. Stoner.

Keystone Publishing Company, Bethlehem, Pa., for printing 1,000 circulars on observing Jubilee celebration on Reformation Day, Jan., 1903; 1,000 envelopes, 10,000 stickers, 1,000 small envelopes, \$31.

Raising Funds for Science Building.

In response to item 3 in report on Minutes of Synod in regard to raising funds for the Science Building under the au-

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee beg leave herewith respectfully to report that we have made earnest with the work which you have committed into our hands, and we take pleasure in offering the following for your consideration, as in our view the best solution of the important matter involved in your action of last year.

The subject matter committed into our hand involves two methods of aiding worthy young men in the preparation for the Christian ministry, namely:

1. Help by way of what is known in the Church as "Beneficiary Aid," and
2. That of helping young men to help themselves.

The first must apply exclusively to approved young men in course of preparation for the Christian ministry. The second must give preference to the same class, whilst it may also include worthy poor young men in their efforts to acquire a higher education, provided, however, that such inclusion does not interfere with the assistance needed by approved young men who are in the course of preparation for the Christian ministry.

1. Beneficiary Aid.—Aid of this kind has been given for many years through the Board of Education. That body has, however, been very much crippled in its laudable work for want of a uniform system in this important part of church work.

Some Classes have carried forward the work of Beneficiary Education independently of the Board. Others have acted through the Board, and have contributed towards the cause, whether they had beneficiaries of their own or not; whilst others have contributed when they had Beneficiaries from their own midst; and others still have done little or nothing for this worthy cause.

Again, some Classes stipulate that legal obligations must be given by the beneficiary to refund the money advanced; others stipulate that a service of ten years in the ministry of the Reformed Church shall cancel the legal obligation. Other Classes fix the time of service to five years.

In view of the great importance of this departure of church work your committee recommends:

1. That this Synod adopt a uniform system of Beneficiary Education, subject to which a yearly appropriation be made for

Beneficiary Education, and that the said appropriation be apportioned among the Classes of the Synod, as is now the case with missions and other benevolences.

2. That the terms of admission of beneficiaries be made uniform throughout the Church.

3. That a legal obligation must be given to refund the money advanced in the event that the recipient at any time abandons the ministry of the Reformed Church, except for physical or mental disability.

4. That such beneficiaries who permanently devote themselves to the work of the ministry in the Reformed Church shall not be legally bound to refund what they have received from the Board of Education, but they should feel themselves to be under moral obligation to refund the same if under the providence of God they find themselves able to do so.

5. That the examination of applicants for Beneficiary Aid shall be made by their respective Classes only as regards physical health, moral character and motive.

The literary examination shall be made by the committee of the Board of Education, together with the members of the Faculties of our respective institutions of learning. And all the students so received under the care of the Board shall be examined by said committee each year during their entire course of study, both in the College and in the Theological Seminary, and their standing and appropriations fixed accordingly.

6. That three grades of scholarship shall be established and shall be known as Scholarships of Merit: One for two hundred dollars, one for one hundred and fifty dollars and one for one hundred dollars; and they shall be annually awarded according to standing scholarship, morals and behavior.

7. The highest scholarship shall be given on a class-standing of not less than 90 when the maximum is one hundred. The second, on a class-standing of not less than 85, and the third on a class-standing of not less than 80.

8. That the balance which remains over in the treasury of the Board from year to year shall be funded, and, together with whatever unentailed legacies may come into their hands from time to time, shall be kept sacred as the Endowment Fund of the Board of Education, and the interest and dividends annually accruing therefrom shall be applied by the Board to

the use of beneficiaries, subject to the stipulations set forth in items 5 and 6 of this report.

9. That these scholarships shall be awarded only to such applicants who are at least prepared to enter the Freshman class of the Classical Course of the College, and to be continued subject to the conditions provided for in this report, on to the end of the Seminary course.

10. Help at Self-Help.—This contemplates a plan by which the Board of Education may help young men to help themselves through their Colleges and Seminary courses.

This your committee regards as being of very great importance because we are fully persuaded that nothing is so well calculated to develop the whole man as that self-help which is tempered by an unflinching devotion to God, and a dauntless purpose, by the grace of Jesus Christ, to overcome all obstacles in the way of that full consecration to the service of God by which men are, like the Apostle Paul, constrained not even to hold their life of any account as dear to themselves, so that they may finish their course, and the ministry which they have received from the Lord Jesus Christ, to testify the Gospel of the grace of God.

There are many opportunities honorably to earn money of smaller and larger sums, by our students, if only they were known to them. Some of these may be named: Such as Saturday clerkships, summer resort clerkships and waiterships, summer schools, night schools, agencies of various kinds, and for Juniors of the Seminary, mission work and supply of vacant charges. Still other fields of usefulness might be named, but let these suffice.

From these considerations your committee feels impelled to recommend that this Synod take such action as will result in the creation of a bureau whose duty it shall be to seek out fields of labor of the kind indicated in this report, and to point out the proper persons for the several kinds of work offered.

This bureau shall be composed of at least one member of the Faculty of the College and one of the Theological Seminary, together with at least one from the Eastern Synod and one from the Pittsburgh Synod and one from the Potomac Synod.

Your committee further recommends that this Synod overture the Synods of Pittsburgh and of the Potomac to join this Synod in this important enterprise.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. KOPLIN,
JAMES R. BROWN, H. BOBB,
J. M. GRIMLEY, SCOTT R. WAGNER

The foregoing report was made the order of the day on Friday, and then deferred until Monday's session. After the Synod had devoted considerable time to the discussion of this subject the following resolution was adopted:

WHEREAS, The report of Synod's committee to suggest an improved method of aiding worthy young men in the preparation for the Christian ministry involves a somewhat radical departure from the plans now in practice within the bounds of Synod, and

WHEREAS, The Classes should be afforded an opportunity for full discussion of such an important matter, therefore

Resolved, That the report of this committee be printed in the minutes of Synod accompanied with the request that the several Classes earnestly consider said report and present a consensus of opinion to this Synod.

Resolved, That further consideration of this report be deferred until the next annual meeting of this Synod.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

I. Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod.

BRETHREN: The Bi-Synodic Board of Missions is now composed of the following members: Rev. C. A. Santee, President; Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D., Secretary; Elder J. J. Nissle, Treasurer; Revs. E. R. Deatrick, J. F. Moyer, W. C. Schaeffer, D.D., L. E. Coblentz, N. H. Skyles, J. D. Miller, T. J. Hacker, S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., and C. B. Schneder.

The Board has tried to do the work committed to its care to the best of its ability and for the best interests of the

Church. The annual meeting was held in the Spring, at which time the roll of missions was carefully reviewed and recommendations were made to the General Board. In addition to this, quarterly meetings have been held by the Executive Council of the Board for the transaction of such business as claimed attention. Through these meetings, at which the reports from the missions were brought before us, we have kept in close touch with the work, knowing the needs and the prospects of the missions under our care.

The Treasurer's report is herewith submitted as a part of this report. This gives in detail the receipts and expenditures during the year. We note with much gratitude the growing work of home missions. The Lord opens new doors of usefulness and activity, and is laying upon us as a Church greater responsibilities, and through the increased liberality of our people we shall be enabled to meet them; and new opportunities are offered, for we have not yet reached the limit of our ability.

The following new missions within our bounds have been enrolled: Passaic, N. J., South River, N. J., and Mt. Carmel, Pa. These three are Hungarian. Also Greensboro, N. C., Lenoir, N. C., and Oak Lane, Pa.

The Board has noted the request of Potomac Synod with regard to the recommendation of points for starting new work, and has been careful to select only such as are promising.

The trust funds under the care of the Board have been carefully used. With the aid of these funds our missions have been assisted and brought forward toward the time when they shall become self-supporting.

With regret we note the death of two members of the Board, Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D.D., and Elder C. M. Bower. The Board feels the loss of these men, whose wise judgment and counsel were of great use in our deliberations. Suitable resolutions were passed and were sent to the families of the deceased, and were also published in the Church papers.

We call the attention of the Eastern Synod to the vacancies occasioned by the death of these members.

The Potomac Synod will note that the term of Rev. C. A. Santee expires April 1, 1904.

Respectfully submitted,
C. A. SANTEE, *President*,
ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary*.

II.—Treasurer's Report.

John J. Nissley, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Dr.

FOR HOME MISSIONS.

From Eastern Synod.

Philadelphia Classis	\$1,696 94	
Tohickon Classis	1,634 11	
Goshenhoppen Classis	1,989 42	
East Pennsylvania Classis	2,551 00	
Lebanon Classis	1,475 04	
Lancaster Classis	1,902 04	
Schuylkill Classis	1,253 95	
East Susquehanna Classis	1,359 56	
West Susquehanna Classis	1,372 21	
Lehigh Classis	3,115 00	
Wyoming Classis	1,384 65	
Reading Classis	1,647 23	
		<hr/> \$21,381 15

From Synod of the Potomac.

Maryland Classis	\$2,764 11	
Mercersburg Classis	935 65	
Virginia Classis	540 00	
Zion's Classis	660 13	
Juniata Classis	1,613 30	
Gettysburg Classis	350 00	
North Carolina Classis	455 48	
Carlisle Classis	817 01	
		<hr/> \$ 8,135 68

From Miscellaneous Sources.

Interest on Gerhard Fund	\$ 12 00	
Elder E. H. Burkholder, Farmersville, Pa.	50 00	
Elder Lewis E. Shriver, Union Mills, Md. . . .	25 00	
Rev. F. A. Gast, D.D.,	10 00	
Rev. J. C. Leonard, for High Point, N. C. . . .	435 00	
St. Clairsville charge, Juniata Classis	10 82	
White Deer charge, Rev. A. Noll	17 81	
C. E. Society, Mt. Alto, Pa., Miss Wiestling...	3 00	
J. W. S., Philadelphia	20 00	
Christ's Church, Philadelphia, Pa.	263 55	
Sulphur Springs charge, Sunday-school.....	2 32	
Trinity, Altoona, Pa.	4 39	
St. Stephen's, Harrisonburg, Va.	12 00	
Mrs. Amanda Wagner, interest on legacy.....	100 00	
St. John's, Middlebrook charge, Va.	10 15	
Women's Classical Miss. Society, N. C. Classis....	18 00	
C. E. Society and Congregation, Loysburg, Pa....	4 00	
Congregation and Sunday-school, Riegelsville, Pa..	303 19	
Meeting of Lancaster Classis, Hummelstown, Pa...	7 13	
Sunday-school, Shepherdstown, W. Va.	12 75	
Miss Mary E. Santee	200 00	
Rev. Dr. G. L. Staley	6 00	

Mrs. Susan Griffith	\$ 00
Missionary Society, First Church, Lancaster, Pa..	50 00
Missionary Society, Hanover, Pa.....	100 00
Elder Henry Gable	100 00
Elder Jacob Rader, Easton, Pa.	15 00
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	\$ 1,797 11

In Response to Request by General Synod at Baltimore, Md.

Emmanuel's Sunday-school, Hanover, Pa.....	\$ 71 74
Trinity Sunday-school, Gettysburg, Pa.....	14 58
St. John's, Philadelphia, Pa.....	5 29
Tioga Mission, Philadelphia, Pa.	20 50
Marion, Pa.	18 44
St. Stephen's, Harrisonburg, Va.	18 00
Sunday-school, Hummelstown, Pa.	17 27
Grace Sunday-school, Altoona, Pa.	11 60
Sunday-school, Newton, N. C.	11 00
Bethel congregation, East Rowan charge, N. C....	3 05
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	\$ 191 47
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	\$31,505 41

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board...	\$31,505 41
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For Hungarian Missions.

Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, D.D., Treas. Virginia Classis..	\$ 30 00
Rev. W. C. Cremer, D.D., Treas., Mercersburg Cl..	140 00
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.....	209 50
St. Clairsville charge, Pa.	50 00
St. James congregation, New Gilead charge, N. C..	2 42
Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.....	140 00
Rev. W. H. Groh, Treas. Carlisle Classis.....	68 65
E. A. Rice, Treas. Zion's Classis.....	131 00
J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.....	590 35
S. M. Gingrich, Treas. Eastern Synod	1,971 67
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	\$ 3,333 59

For Harbor Mission.

Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, D.D., Treas. Virginia Classis..	\$ 10 00
Elder Geo. N. Forney, Treas. Potomac Synod....	11 00
Rev. W. C. Cremer, D.D., Treas. Mercersburg Cl	20 00
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.....	24 00
Rev. J. D. Miller, Treas. Carlisle Classis	5 53
Women's Classical Miss. Soc., N. C. Classis....	11 00
Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.....	25 00
Rev. W. H. Groh, Treas. Carlisle Classis.....	7 13
E. A. Rice, Treas. Zion's Classis.....	14 29
J. J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod	78 04
S. M. Gingrich, Treas. Eastern Synod.....	336 45
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	\$ 542 44

For German Missions.

Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, D.D., Treas. Virginia Classis..	\$ 10 00
Geo. N. Forney, Treas. Potomac Synod	55 22
Rev. W. C. Cremer, D.D., Treas. Mercersburg Cl..	95 00
Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treas. Maryland Classis.....	199 00

Rev. Lewis Robb, Treas. Juniata Classis.....	130 00	
E. A. Rice, Treas. Zion's Classis.....	78 73	
John J. Nissley, Treas. Eastern Synod.....	196 83	
S. M. Gingrich, Treas. Eastern Synod.....	1,228 72	
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		\$5,869 53

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer	\$ 5,869 53
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DESIGNATED MONEYS.

Zion's, Allentown, Pa., for Palatinate Mis. Phlla .	\$ 25 00	
West Susquehanna Classis, for Rev. J. R. Dudycha,		
Chicago, Ill.	5 70	
Reading Classis, for Trinity. Dengler's ..	50 00	
Hill Church Miss. Soc., for Salisbury, N. C.....	10 00	
St. Luke's, Pleasant Hill, Missionary Society, for		
Calvary, Philadelphia	10 00	
New Gilead charge, N. C., for Bohemian church,		
Chicago	2 75	
North Carolina Classis, for Lenoir Mission.....	50 00	
North Carolina Classis, for Mt. Bethel Mission....	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 203 45

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Paid as designated	\$ 203 45
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CHURCH BUILDING.

Balance in Treasury September 27, 1902....		\$ 5,373 92
Schuylkill Classis	\$ 134 00	
Reading Classis	375 00	
Tohickon Classis	299 63	
Lebanon Classis	235 72	
Lancaster Classis	242 19	
West Susquehanna Classis	296 00	
Lehigh Classis	255 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	183 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	345 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	115 86	
Philadelphia Classis	140 32	
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CHURCH-BUILDING FUNDS.

Trone and Schmidt Fund	\$ 80 00	
Archie Campbell Shuford Fund	500 00	
Sunday-school, Second Church, Reading, Pa. .	400 00	
Josiah Griffith Fund	237 50	
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		\$9,213 14

LOANS REPAID.

Hungarian Church, Bridgeport, Conn.	\$ 200 00
First Church, Lexington, N. C.	450 00
Trinity, Altoona, Pa.	700 00
Grace, Altoona, Pa.	400 00
Reformed Church, Royersford, Pa.	585 00
St. Paul's, Roanoke, Va.	400 00
Faith Church, Salisbury, N. C.	460 00

Palatinate, Philadelphia, Pa.	1,000 00	
Grace, Allentown, Pa.	100 00	
First, High Point, N. C.	100 00	
Hungarian, South Norwalk, Conn.	125 00	
Heidelberg, Thomasville, N. C.	20 00	
Hungarian, Trenton, N. J.	100 00	
St Mark's, Baltimore, Md.	500 00	
		<u>\$ 5,140 00</u>
		\$14,353 14

DISBURSEMENTS.

C. M. Boush, Treas. for Church-building.	\$2,621 72	
Loan to Lenoir, N. C.	500 00	
Loan to Grace Church, Baltimore, Md.	2,500 00	
Loan to Hungarian Church, Phoenixville, Pa.	500 00	
Loan to Trinity Church, Lewistown, Pa.	3,000 00	
Loan to First Church, Greensboro, N. C.	1,200 00	
Balance in Treasury September 28, 1903.	4,031 42	
		<u>\$14,353 14</u>

GENERAL TREASURY.

Balance in Treasury September 27, 1902	\$ 2,011 72	
First Church, Lexington, N. C.	\$ 6 01	
Dividends, York Bank Stock, Spangler legacy.	43 76	
Reformed Church, Royersford, Pa.	140 51	
St. Paul's, Roanoke, Va.	87 50	
Mrs. C. A. Fremell	95 00	
C. M. Boush, Treas. Church-building.	200 00	
Hungarian Church, Trenton, N. J.	34 00	
Maryland Classis	72 50	
Reformed Church, Bridgeport, Conn.	24 00	
Grace, Allentown	64 00	
First Church, High Point, N. C.	15 00	
Grace, Altoona, Pa.	71 16	
Heidelberg, Thomasville, N. C.	9 00	
Trinity, Altoona, Pa.	5 00	
Calvary, Scranton, Pa.	100 00	
St. Peter's, Parryville, Pa.	50 00	
St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.	150 00	
Christ Church, Packerton, Pa.	10 00	
Maryland Classis	72 50	
Zion's Church, Marietta, Pa.	25 00	
Reformed Church, Burlington, N. C.	15 00	
St. Mark's, Baltimore, Md.	73 00	
		<u>\$ 1,362 94</u>
		\$3,374 66

DISBURSEMENTS.

Recording Power of Attorney, Palatinate, Phila.	\$ 2 25
Tax on Baltimore Mortgages	16 79
Recording Release, Scranton Property.	1 75
Traveling Expenses of the Board and Postage.	76 42
Salary of the Secretary.	75 00

Salary of the Treasurer.....	75 00	
Balance in Treasury.....	3,127 45	
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HUMMELSTOWN, PA., Sept. 28, 1903.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. NISSELY, *Treasurer*.

HARRISBURG, PA., Sept. 28, 1903.

The foregoing account was audited and found correct as stated.

ELLIS N. KIMMER,

JAMES C. THOMPSON.

III. Annual Report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: It becomes our duty again to make a report to you of the condition of the Home Missionary work under the care of General Synod's Board for the year ending September 30, 1903. In many respects the last year has been the most successful one in the history of our Church. There has been a gradual awakening in the Church to the importance of the work and the responsibilities that rest upon us, as a denomination, in doing our part in the evangelization of the masses in this country. This is one of the hopeful signs of the times for us as a people—and we may be allowed to say that this fact makes the future the more hopeful for us.

NEW ENROLLMENT.—The number of new missions enrolled during the year was much larger than any one had a right to expect at the beginning of the year. A year ago the outlook was not very assuring. We were then heavily in debt and there were no special evidences that the debt would be greatly reduced in the near future. But God put it into the hearts of the people to do better things for the cause of the Master. There has been a manifest awakening and the Board was enabled to enroll a number of new fields. Last year, when the report was made to the Synods we had ninety-eight missions on the roll. On April 1, 1903, a few became self-supporting—one was dropped and two were consolidated. Since then a number have been added, so that we now have one hundred and four on the roll.

THE MISSIONS.—Never were our missions in better condition. Only three are vacant. Three of those enrolled in April

will be organized in October, or as soon as men can be gotten. All the German-English missions were transferred to the German Boards on April first. Of the new missions, all will be found in growing towns and large cities. We are now doing an important city work. We have a good class of men as our missionary pastors. They are able and devoted to their work. The missions, with a very few exceptions, are making good progress. We, however, find it difficult to keep the missions supplied with pastors on account of the scarcity of ministers.

HUNGARIAN.—When the new mission at Lorain, Ohio, has made its formal transfer to our church, with Bella Basso as its pastor, we will have twelve missions among these interesting people. We now have a prospect of getting pastors soon to supply all these fields. During the year the Board established the office of "Traveling Hungarian Missionary." This was deemed absolutely necessary under existing conditions. It was supposed that there were about 500,000 Hungarians in the country. But later and better investigations assure us that there are at least one million. As many of these people are members of our Church, it behooves us to do a more extensive work among them. In order to do better work, Rev. Stephen P. Harsanyi, now of the Theological Seminary, Tiffin, Ohio, was given the work of traveling missionary. He is peculiarly well fitted for the work, as he speaks English well. He has been engaged in the work during the summer and is well pleased with the progress made. The Board has also taken steps looking to the education of some young Hungarians—College graduates from Hungary—in the Theological Seminaries in this country. In this way it is felt that we will have men in our missions who will be more in sympathy with our American customs and Church life. The Hungarian missionaries are also directed to seek out intelligent young men from among their membership, who may be educated for the ministry. Lorain, Ohio, Homestead, Pa., and South River, N. J., are the missions lately organized among these people. We must prepare, however, for much additional work.

BOHEMIAN.—We cannot report so favorably on our work among the Bohemians. They are a hard people to deal with because they are under the domination of infidel leaders. Those who do retain their former love for the Church are loyal and

earnest, but it seems that the great majority have lost their church life. During the year a new church was erected on the corner of Ashland avenue and Nineteenth street in Chicago. It is a good, solid brick structure, costing, with lot and all, \$7,000. While the work is hard, the Church must, however, not be discouraged with it. In fact, greater efforts ought to be put forth in behalf of these people, of whom there are fully 300,000 in the land.

MISSIONARY BULLETIN.—There have come to the Board frequent requests for more definite information on our home work. Facts have been called for—statements of facts have been desired—and not a few requested that a concise and full statement be made, at intervals, of the work done and proposed to be done. In fact, the Board has at different times been blamed for not letting the Church know more fully of its work. To furnish what was demanded, seemed to require something more than can be given in the regular Church periodicals. In answer to these requests, the Board, at its July meeting, resolved to publish, monthly, a "Bulletin" of mission news from the home field. The initial number was sent out on September 1st, under the title of "The Home Missionary Bulletin of the Reformed Church in the United States." A copy was sent to all English pastors with the request that they should report the number of copies they wish for their charges. Up to date of writing, about 25,000 copies have been ordered monthly. This is to be a missionary paper pure and simple. It will not contain any general news, Church or secular. It will not, therefore, interfere with the regular Church periodicals. The Board believes that this publication will do much good.

FINANCES.—The Board is in better condition now than a year ago, financially. True, there is still an indebtedness, but it is not large. For the quarter ending June 30th, the income of the Board, for all purposes, was over \$34,000. For the month of August, which is usually the dullest month of the year, the amount received for missions was \$3,671.52, and for church building \$467—total, \$4,138.52. This is a great improvement over other years. If the people of the Church will continue to increase their offerings, we will soon come to that period in our history when the apportionments will be paid in

full, and then the Board will know just what to depend upon, and the work can be greatly extended.

OF SUPERINTENDENTS, ETC.—On January 1st of this year Rev. A. S. Dechant resigned as Western Superintendent. At the annual meeting in April last the Board rearranged the districts and elected Rev. D. A. Souders to take the place of Superintendent Dechant. Superintendent Fouse was then directed to take charge of the missions in the Synod of the Interior, in addition to his labors as General Superintendent. Superintendent Souders has charge of the missions in the Pittsburgh and Ohio Synods, while Superintendent Whitmer retains his position in the Synods east of the Alleghanies. In this way this work can be attended to with less travel by these officers. Rev. D. N. Dittmar remains Field Agent. A call has been extended to one of our pastors to become Sunday-school Missionary so that that office will be filled in a short time. The salary is paid by the Sunday-school Board and this Board, each paying half. This Board has also promised to help Allegheny Classis to pay the salary of a City Missionary for Pittsburgh and nearby towns.

CHURCH BUILDING.—This department of the work is prospering. It would be interesting to give the names of those who gave \$500 funds during the year, but it would lengthen this report too much. Treasurer Boush reported at the annual meeting in April that the last was the most prosperous year of any in our history. He reports one hundred and ten \$500 funds belonging to the Board. Add to these, those belonging to the Bi-Synodic Board and we have fully one hundred and fifty. Then, the moneys coming from the apportionments swell the fund to a large sum. The actual money held and invested, amounts to \$155,000. The value of the properties to which the Board loaned money—and the lots held by the Board amounts to fully \$350,000. Let the whole Church push this arm of the work—for without it, this work can hardly be made a success.

APPORTIONMENTS.—The Synods have promised the Board \$60,000 for the English missions. For all the missions, \$74,500. Shall the Board have these promised moneys? Let us hope so, and then set our aim to obtain it. The following are the apportionments:

Synods.	Home Missions.	Harbor Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	Work Among Germans.	Church Building.
Eastern	\$32,370	\$492	\$3,690	\$2,426	6 cts. per mem
Potomac . . .	12,450	193	1,448	930	6 " " "
Pittsburgh . .	6,280	90	675	460	6 " " "
Ohio	7,875	125	517	590	6 " " "
Interior	1,075	14	107	54	6 " " "

NOTES.—The Board requests the Synods to impress upon their people the imperative need of paying the apportionments in full.

We again ask the Synods to assume the six cents per member for the Building Fund.

Let the Synods remember that the Board is expected to pay to the German Boards \$4,500. Let the Synods, without fail, pay the apportionment for this cause.

The Synods and Classes should urge the missions to assume the full support of their pastors as quickly as possible.

D. S. FOUSE, *Missionary Supt.*

IV. Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions, Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: What will the Synods do this fall for the work of Foreign Missions? This question voices the anxiety of the missionaries and of the Board. There is cause for great rejoicing when we look at what has been done. Alas, how much we have left undone! And of work that we might have done. Let us not shut our eyes to the fact that our operations in heathen lands have been steadily enlarging. Our field is bigger now than it was five years ago. Yes, the work is growing and the demands are increasing. Happily the grace of liberality in the home Church is keeping pace with the expansion in the foreign field. It must be a source of gratification to the warm supporters of our work to learn that the receipts for the past synodical year amount to \$66,305.25. But we need every dollar of it, and more to it, in or-

der to discharge our heavy obligations. The estimate of the Japan Mission alone for 1904, exclusive of buildings or any advance work, amounts to \$33,100. This is almost equal to our entire receipts for the year 1901.

WE NEED \$125,000.

If the Board is to meet all its reasonable expenses during the coming year, we will need, at least, \$125,000. This may seem an excessive amount for foreign missions, but it is only fifty cents per member. The estimates for the Japan and China Missions and the home expenses will be not less than \$50,000. Add to this amount \$25,000 for the North Japan College; \$15,000 additional to pay for the Girls' School buildings; \$5,000 for the Missionary Home at Tokio; \$4,000 for the Boys' School, China; \$2,000 additional for the China Hospital, and \$23,000 for our present indebtedness, and you will see that we are not asking for a fictitious amount. Besides there are always emergencies arising during the year for which we can never provide in advance, and these help to increase our expenses. In view of our resources as a Church, and in the light of the signal success of our missionaries, and the demands of the work, will it be asking too much of our pastors and people to make one grand effort, during the coming twenty-fifth anniversary year of the founding of the Japan Mission, and thus place our work in that empire on a firm basis? Dr. Schneder assures us that this will be the last extraordinary effort the Church will need to put forth towards the Christianization of Japan.

OUR JAPAN MISSION.

The personal reports of all our missionaries indicate excellent health during the past year. The new missionaries are hard at work on the study of the language and have proved a strong addition to the mission. There are no more earnest, devoted, hard-working men and women in any mission. Dr. Moore received a hearty welcome back to Japan, and reports his health as good. During the first eight months since his return he has preached frequently and baptized in all some fifty persons, about one-third of whom were children. Dr. Schneder's time is chiefly occupied with his duties as the President of the North Japan College and in evangelistic work. Since January 1st

Missionary Lampe has given much time to the plans and tracts and oversight of our building operations. He "This is a great undertaking and will require a large sum of money, and a great deal of missionary time and energy." Noss has been working for two years on his text book of colloquial Japanese, which will be an octavo volume of 600 pages, an invaluable aid to the study of the language. His friends will be glad to welcome him and his family to Amoy this fall. Missionary Miller now occupies a foreign-built house at Yamagata. The old church building was badly wrecked in September by a typhoon, and a new church will be built in a portion of the city where the best families live. Rev. Stieler is developing into an excellent business manager. The brethren Faust, Gerhard and Cook have been devoted to their school work. Our four lady teachers have been subject to great hardships and deprivations, but the Lord has enabled them to overcome them, and they look forward with joy to their work this winter.

NORTH JAPAN COLLEGE.

The North Japan College has had a good year. There was an enrollment of 171 at the beginning of the fall term. Paul L. Gerhard has resumed his work in the school, and H. H. Cook, Jr., is a new teacher. There were eight graduates from the lower course of the collegiate department, and five from the higher. Eleven were baptized. There are forty Christians. At the commencement exercises the vice-governor, in the absence of the governor, made an address approving the work of the school. The president of the Government College also made a congratulatory address. The music under the direction of Brother Stick was unusually good. There were no theological graduates this year. It is gratifying to know that the students in our lower course now enjoy the same privileges as do the students of government schools of the same grade. But it is doubly necessary that we should have this recognition and military exemption for our Higher and Theological courses. In case we cannot get the recognition before April next year, we will be obliged, according to the regulations, to close these departments altogether. This would certainly be a calamity. In his last letter Dr. Schneder reiterates the impending peril of the school, and adds, "Now what I would like

ask is that the Board say to the Mission that they will furnish \$25,000 for additional buildings for the North Japan College. **Please** do not pass this by. A recitation building and a dormitory, together with a chapel and some smaller buildings must be erected." The Board lays this very urgent need before the Synods with the earnest hope that some action may be taken to relieve the critical situation.

MIYAGI GIRLS' SCHOOL.

The ladies have had to contend with many difficulties, trials and hindrances in the conduct of the Girls' School in the temporary quarters. Very truly Miss Zurfluh writes: "The school has sustained a loss through fire and its effects that money and new buildings cannot alone eradicate." The average monthly enrollment was ninety-six. Thirty-two of these are Christians, six of whom were baptized during the year. About forty more pupils asked for admittance, but had to be turned away for lack of room. There were three graduates, all of them Christians.

The new dormitory will be ready for occupancy by the beginning of the school term in September. The Recitation Hall is also in course of erection, but there has been no time fixed for its completion. Besides these new buildings it was absolutely necessary to enlarge the ladies' residence, which was originally built for only two teachers. We have at present four teachers. The fire had left this building in a very shabby condition. The estimates for these several improvements, including the cost of the lots, amount to \$34,000. Towards the payment of the new buildings we have about \$21,000, including the \$4,000 insurance.

It must be evident to the Synods that the Board is in sore need of funds.

INDUSTRIAL HOME.

The Industrial Home is the residence of a large number of the students of North Japan College. All of these young men are studying the lesson of self-support, and at the same time they receive a Christian education. The Home is running a dairy, a printing press, a book store and a farm. The work is done by the students. The total number in the Home during the year is ninety-two. The average number is seventy-two. Thirty-four are Christians, others are earnestly seeking the

Saviour. The expenses for the year amount to \$5,250 which includes the building of two sheds for the dairy and other necessary repairs. Towards this amount the mission appropriated \$750. Regular services are held every Sunday evening and weekly prayer meetings.

Besides the work for the women at the woman's meetings, the Bible Women have been very helpful in, at least, twenty Sunday-schools. Almost all of these workers go to two Sunday-schools every Sunday. Some have held special meetings in large towns, which created intense interest on the part of the women. At one meeting there were about 200 persons, at the other 300. Our lady teachers have given the Bible Women a one year's post-graduate course in Biblical Studies, with a view to equip them for better service. There have been thirteen regular Bible Women at work during the year.

The statistics of the Japan Mission for the year 1902 are as follows: Ordained ministers, 8; unordained evangelists, 27; church buildings, 16; meeting places, 48; members, men 1,106, women 658, total 1,764; baptized children, 126; additions, 272; average attendance in Sunday-schools, 1,649; value of church property, \$25,000.

CHINA MISSION.

What shall we say of our work in China? Here are the statistics of a few months ago: Communicant members, 43; children, 9; students in Boys' School, 53; Girls' School, 12; evangelist, 1; Bible woman, 1; helpers, 3. Truly a noble record.

Through the unflagging zeal of Dr. Hoy our mission owns a splendid property with a strong wall fifteen to twenty-five feet surrounding it. The buildings are small, but they will meet the present wants of our work after the Boys' School and Hospital have been erected. But these two buildings are pressing needs. The Boy's School will cost \$4,000 and the Hospital \$5,500. Towards the latter building we have about \$3,500. Besides the erection of these buildings it is imperative that we send two married missionaries and one medical missionary. The growing prospects of our work make it necessary that these men ought to be on the field this fall. We have a wonderful opening at Yochow for a Christian institution of learning, and if we lay good solid foundations now we shall in a few years

be able to rejoice over a still greater field of evangelistic usefulness. Dr. Hoy writes, "The Boys' School has already a name and an influence—an influence that we must not lose. We have many boys from the best families. Can't you get immediate help from the Synods this fall? We need money for grounds and buildings; and we need two missionaries to help in school work."

Surely God is leading our Church into most inviting fields that are ripe for harvest. We are not opening this new work, but by the strange leadings of Providence the work seems to fall to our lot. The offer from the four Chinamen to Dr. Hoy, which we incorporate in this statement, is extraordinary in its nature, and we should be very careful how we treat it. There can be no doubt as to its sincerity.

HERE IS THE OFFER.

"Last February a man came from Chingshi to Yochow. He quietly studied our school, our chapel work, and the Bible and other Christian books. He also learned about the work of our college in Japan. After several months of inquiry he returned to Chingshi, over one hundred miles across the lake from Yochow. He soon came back to Yochow, bringing with him three other men. All these four men belong to the literary class and are men of means and influence in this community. They want a church and a school in their town. They will buy all the land needed and erect all the necessary buildings, and this property will belong to the mission, and through the mission, to our Board and Church at home. This offer is worth \$10,000. The last week in June and the first week and a half of July Mr. Reimert and I went over to Chingshi, all our expenses being paid by the people interested. We made a careful investigation as to the standing of these people, and especially concerning the life and character of Mr. Chang, the leader of the party. In three towns we went to the chief officials and all told us these people were all right. They also said they would be glad if we would accept the offer. We mean to accept the offer, in fact, I have already in my care the deed to half the ground needed. All the property will be ours. The management of church and school will also belong to us. The cost of the property and the maintenance of the school will be supplied by Mr.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Synod.	Number of Members.	Amount of Apportionment.	Paid on Apportionment.	Receipts all Sources.	W. M. S. General Synod.
Eastern	104,188	\$17,150	\$12,597	\$24,385	\$5,064
Potomac	39,658	5,840	3,952	8,450	391
Pittsburgh	19,509	2,975	3,197	4,789	1,181
Ohio	26,096	3,770	3,019	7,848	2,048
Interior	3,231	250	235	815	64
Central	24,659	3,545	*	3,244	
North West	22,468	3,660	*	4,900	
German East	15,599	2,860	*	1,911	
W. M. S., General Synod				8,749	
Interest, etc.				1,200	

*Pastors remit to the Secretary.

Dear Brethren, if we are to do the work which the Lord of the harvest expects of us, we need faith and prayer. Faith, to believe that we can do it, and prayer, that God may make us willing to do it in the day of His power. Let me suggest, that in view of the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of our Japan Mission during June, 1904, the Synods devote a portion of the time spent in the discussion of missions to a season of special prayer for God's blessing upon our work, our missionaries, our Board, our pastors and people.

With the earnest prayer that the Holy Spirit may guide you in your deliberations for the speedy conquest of the world for Christ, I am,

Very cordially yours,

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 10, 1903.

Report of the Standing Committee on Missions.

The report of the Standing Committee on Missions was presented on Monday during the morning session. It was acted on item by item and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Into the hands of your committee there were placed the following documents, viz:

1. The report of the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions including the report of J. J. Nissley, Treasurer of the Bi-Synodic Board.

2. The report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

3. The annual statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

From the perusal of these several documents we learn the following facts:

I. BI-SYNODIC BOARD OF MISSIONS.

All the missions under the care of this Board are reported to be in a flourishing condition. During the year six new missions were enrolled within its bounds, three of which are Hungarian. The report speaks of the growing work of Home Missions, the opening of new doors of usefulness and activity, the increased liberality of the people, and the spirit of gratitude which wells up in the hearts of the members of the Board. The report also mentions the departure of two of its faithful members, viz: Dr. C. S. Gerhard and Elder C. M. Bower, and calls the attention of the Synod to the vacancy thus incurred in the Board.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The total amount paid on the apportionment by the Classes of this Synod was \$21,381.15; \$2,621.72 was received for Church Building on the apportionment; \$1,217.50 was paid into the treasury for Church Building Funds. One entire fund was received and installments were paid on others some of which have almost reached completion.

II. REPORT OF BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

One hundred and four missions are reported under the care of this general Board. Of these only three are vacant. Last April all of the German-English missions were transferred to the German Boards. Most of the missions under this Board are splendidly located in large and growing towns and cities. Great strides of progress were made in the Hungarian work. There

are now twelve missions among these people. Recently a traveling missionary in the person of Rev. Stephen P. Harsanyi was appointed. Steps have also been taken looking towards the education of worthy Hungarian graduates in the Theological Seminaries of our country. The Bohemian work is not quite so prosperous since it has to contend with graver obstacles. Among these people the spirit of infidelity and the circulation of infidel and agnostic literature proves a barrier to successful missionary work. Still last year in the city of Chicago a new church was erected, costing \$7,000.

The Board of Home Missions has lately begun the publication of a monthly paper under the name of "The Home Missionary Bulletin of the Reformed Church in the United States." This paper is to be devoted exclusively to the interests of their work and is to be circulated among the churches without subscription price.

The financial aspect of the Home Board is encouraging. Thirty-four thousand dollars was received last year. These enlarged sums enabled the Board to reduce the indebtedness, leaving the same only \$10,000. There are 110 Church Building Funds belonging to this Board, representing a total investment of \$155,000.

By the resignation of Rev. A. S. Dechant as Superintendent of Missions in the Synod of the Interior, a rearrangement of districts was affected. Rev. Dr. Fouse, in addition to his duties as General Superintendent, was assigned the care of missions in the Interior Synod. Rev. D. A. Souders was elected to take the place of Rev. Dechant, and was assigned the missions in the Ohio and Pittsburgh Synods, while Rev. A. C. Whitmer retains supervision of the missions east of the Alleghenies.

III. STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

The past was a prosperous year. \$66,305.25 was the total amount received. As an indication of the steadily increasing work it may be stated that for the Japan Mission alone, exclusive of buildings or any advance work, there was needed \$33,100, which is more than the entire sum received for Foreign Missions two years ago. Wonderful opportunities are opening on every side. The North Japan College has an enrollment of 171 students. The need of larger and better build-

ings so as to receive government recognition and military exemption is imperative. \$25,000 is asked for this purpose. The Miyagi Girls' School is just completing some of its buildings and until these are finished it will of necessity be greatly hampered in its work. More than forty pupils seeking admission had to be turned away. The present enrollment is 138. The loss sustained by the destruction of the school seems almost irreparable. The Industrial Home is doing an important and telling work with a total enrollment of 92.

The Bible Women, working among the women of Japan and in the Sunday-schools are reported as rendering the cause of Christ most valuable service.

When the report takes up the work of the China Mission it glows with feeling and enthusiasm. Marvelous opportunities are opening there. Unheard of offers are presented. The entire Church was thrilled by the offer of four men from Ching-shi, who are willing to contribute \$10,000 for a church and school in their town. Two pressing needs in China confront the Church: proper buildings for a boys' school and a hospital.

The report also calls attention to the twenty-fifth anniversary of our Foreign Missionary work and asks the Church to unite in a proper observance of this event in June, 1904.

The report also acknowledges the gratifying results of last year's Foreign Missionary Day in the Sunday-schools, when \$7,000 was laid on the altar for Foreign Missions, and suggests a similar observance of the day during the current year.

In view of all these facts and statements it is manifest that the Lord has marvelously blessed His work at home and abroad. The heart of the entire Church beats with devout gratitude for the signal blessings which have attended the labors of God's servants. It is becoming more and more apparent that in the faithful prosecution of missions lies the future work and glory of our Church. They who walk late on the deck of the vessel see strange lights rise and fall which are the signs of an approaching continent of new life and activity. Brethren, shall we go forward and possess the land in the name of our God, and plant the cross of Christ in the hearts of multitudes of men and women in home and foreign lands? We would recommend the following for your consideration:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod solemnly puts on record its spirit of devout thankfulness to Almighty God for the abundant blessings bestowed on the missionary operations of our Church, and hereby calls upon all the pastors, elders and people of our beloved Zion to pledge their hearts and hands for the faithful and fruitful furtherance of the mission cause in home and foreign lands.

2. *Resolved*, That we record our appreciation of the earnest efforts which our Boards through the appointed superintendents and secretaries are putting forth in the prosecution of this great work in its various phases, and that we have confidence in their management and supervision.

3. *Resolved*, That we commend the charges and congregations of the Classes for their increased liberality in meeting more fully the apportionment, and that we urge pastors and consistories through the Classes to even greater and more strenuous efforts to pay the entire amount apportioned.

4. *Resolved*, That we renew the request of apportioning six cents per member for Church Building by the Classes, and commend the establishing of Church Building Funds to Classes, congregations, societies and members.

5. *Resolved*, That the apportionments for Home Missions and Foreign Missions sent down by General Synod be again apportioned among the Classes of this Synod.

6. *Resolved*, That Synod heartily approves of the circulation of good literature among the people on the part of the Boards, and hereby puts on record its approval of the publication of "The Home Missionary Bulletin of the Reformed Church," and requests the Classes to urge pastors to make wise and careful distribution of the same among their people.

7. *Resolved*, That we recommend to the Classes the observance of Home Missionary Day in the Sunday-schools on the second Sunday of each November.

8. *Resolved*, That Synod is pleased to hear of the increased amounts received for Foreign Missions, and that we request the Classes to urge the congregations to make even larger contributions that the work may not be retarded.

9. *Resolved*, That the various Classes be urged to speedily devise ways and means whereby the Board may receive the \$25,000 necessary to assure the continuance of the North Japan College at Sendai.

10. *Resolved*, That in view of urgent need in the case, Synod heartily approves the building of a house for a boys' school in Yochow, China; and that to realize this end the President appoint a committee of one minister and one elder in each Classis who shall at once make an earnest effort to raise as much as possible of the \$4,000 needed for this purpose, each committee to report to its respective Classis and to pay through the treasurer of the Classis to the treasurer of the Board of Foreign Missions the amount raised; and furthermore, that Synod hereby requests Secretary A. R. Bartholomew to furnish these Classical committees in printed form with all the facts and reasons in the case necessary for effective work in this interest.

11. *Resolved*, That Missionary Day be again observed in the Sunday-schools on the second Sunday in February, 1904, and that the offerings be devoted to Foreign Missions.

12. *Resolved*, That the Church unite in the proper observance of the 25th anniversary of the founding of our work in Japan, that in accordance with the suggestion of the Board, this quarto-centennial be held in the month of June, 1904; that it be improved with a series of special services, that efforts be put forth to make its observance general throughout the Church, that the history of our work in Japan be restudied and vividly presented, and that the event be made the occasion for a large and special thankoffering for the cause of missions; that the Classes be hereby urged to arrange for these services so that the greatest inspiration and enthusiasm may be derived from the celebration.

13. *Resolved*, That Synod hereby gratefully acknowledges God's blessings upon our Foreign work during this quarter of a century, and in order that we may prepare our own hearts and those of our people for this coming event in the history of our work, we recommend, at the suggestion of the Board, that pending the adoption of this report, the Synod devote a portion of time to the discussion of missions, and spend a sea-

son in special prayer for God's continued blessing upon our work, our missionaries, our Boards, our pastors and people, and that we request the Classes at their annual meetings to do likewise.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. SCHAEFFER, A. S. BROMER,

A. C. WHITMER, ALEXANDER MILLER.

In accordance with the action adopted in the last resolution of the foregoing report Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr., and Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D., led Synod in prayer in behalf of the cause of Home and Foreign Missions.

In order to carry out the suggestion adopted in the ninth resolution of the foregoing report, the following persons were appointed the several committees of the respective Classes vigorously to prosecute the assigned work: East Pennsylvania Classis, Rev. Wm. M. Helfrich, Elder T. J. Kichline; Lebanon Classis, Rev. Wm. F. DeLong, Elder F. L. Miller; Philadelphia Classis, Rev. J. M. S. Isenberg, Elder F. G. Hobson; Lancaster Classis, Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, Elder G. J. P. Raub; West Susquehanna Classis, Rev. A. A. Black, Elder Jared Harper; East Susquehanna Classis, Rev. C. B. Schneder, Elder George Hill; Tohickon Classis, Rev. N. Z. Snyder, Elder A. G. Reiff; Goshenhoppen Classis, Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach, Elder Henry Bobb, Lehigh Classis, Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, Elder E. C. Simmons; Schuylkill Classis, Rev. O. H. Strunck, Elder Thos. Anthony; Wyoming Classis, Rev. S. E. Stofflet, Elder J. Sweisfort; Reading Classis, Rev. H. H. Rupp, Elder J. H. Stein.

IV.—Report of Treasurer of Washington Church Building Fund.

To the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: As Treasurer of the Washington Church Building Fund I herewith submit my report of the funds received and also of their disposition.

Total amount received from the Church as per acknowledgment in Church papers	\$36,743 44
Rebate from Cleveland Stone Company	500 00
Miscellaneous	469 49
Total Receipts ..	\$37,712 93

As chairman of the building committee appointed by Maryland Classis to assist Rev. J. M. Schick, D.D., the pastor of Grace Reformed Church, Washington, D. C., in the building of the church, and as Treasurer by appointment of your reverend body, the above amount was paid by the authority and under the direction of the Committee for the construction of the church building, its steam heating, electric lighting, plumbing and exterior artistic work. The stained glass windows and the furniture were provided for by the pastor and congregation and were placed under their direct supervision. Most of these were memorials. The total cost of the church and its furnishings was \$45,080.13; of this amount Grace Church contributed \$6,000, and in addition within the last month paid \$1,000 on the debt of the parsonage, thereby reducing the parsonage debt to \$2,500. Maryland Classis, exclusive of the amount given by Grace Church, contributed over \$7,000. The pledge of \$5,000 made by the Classes of Potomac Synod exclusive of Maryland Classis has been paid in full, as also the pledge of \$10,000 made by the Eastern Synod and nearly all the pledges made by the charges of Pittsburgh Synod. All the expenses connected with the construction and completion of the church building have been met in full. And the accounts of the Treasurer have been audited by the committee above referred to, and found correct.

The committee is as follows: Rev. C. S. Slagle, Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., Rev. I. M. Motter, Elders A. C. McCardell and John Gassman.

The cornerstone of the church was laid on July 1st, 1902, by his excellency, Theodore Roosevelt, President of the United States. The sermon was preached by Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, D.D. The church was dedicated on Trinity Sunday, June 7th, 1903; an appropriate address being made by the President of the United States, and the sermon being preached by Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D.

The hearty and generous response made by the Church to the appeal of your reverend body is an evidence of the fact that the time was at hand for this important movement forward in the permanent establishment of our Church in the nation's capital.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. SLAGLE,

*Treasurer of Washington Church Building Fund.
Westminster, Md., Sept. 22d, 1903.*

Action Taken By the Mission Board.

On the above the following action was taken by the Board:

WHEREAS, The Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church authorized the Rev. C. S. Slagle as its acting Treasurer in the matter of contributions by congregations for the erection of the Grace Memorial Church of Washington, D. C., to act in conjunction with the committee appointed by Maryland Classis, and to have special charge of said contributions; and,

WHEREAS, The erection of the Memorial Church was carried to a successful completion, the report of which is now presented to the Executive Committee of the Board, said report containing an account of moneys received and disbursed, as well as an account of the labors of the committee and the Treasurer, therefore,

Resolved, That the Executive Committee hereby expresses its appreciation of the faithful and self-denying work of the committee and the most efficient and economical management of the funds by the Treasurer. Especially does this Executive Committee commend the Treasurer that he so invested the funds received—in amount more than \$37,000—that the interest accruing therefrom met all the expenses connected with the collection and distribution of said funds, and all the expenses of the committee, so that every dollar contributed by the Church was devoted to the building itself.

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

The annual report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was read and the vacancy occurring in the Board was referred to the Standing Committee on Nominations. The report of the Treasurer was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance. The report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was duly considered and adopted. The report is as follows. to wit:

I. Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod.

BELOVED FATHERS AND BRETHREN: As directed by Synod the Board borrowed \$3,500 to pay deficit on Grace Reformed Church, Washington, D. C. Synod should devise some plan whereby this loan could be paid speedily. The Board gave the

\$4,000 mortgage bond which it holds against Allentown College for Women, and guaranteed the payment of the same by endorsing the note as individuals. The Classes in arrears ought to pay this loan, principal and interest. In the meantime the interest will have to be paid. Will Synod instruct its Treasurer to pay the interest temporarily out of the contingent fund?

The following persons constitute the Board: Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, term expires January 1, 1908; Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach, term expires January 1, 1907; Dr. A. B. Dundore, term expires January 1, 1906; Rev. Samuel A. Leinbach, term expires January 1, 1905; Rev. J. W. Steinmetz; term expires January 1, 1904. To fill this vacancy the Board nominate Rev. C. E. Creitz and Chas. E. Schaeffer, one to be elected. The Board carefully audited the account of your Treasurer, Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, and found it correct.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. STEINMETZ, *President.*

Reading, Pa., October 26, 1903.

John J. Nissley, Treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

CONTINGENT FUND, EASTERN SYNOD.

DR.

Oct. 20, 1902, balance in treasury	\$ 1,075 08
From Wyoming Classis	\$ 17 00
East Pennsylvania Classis	40 00
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	57 00
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	\$ 1,132 08

CR.

Oct. 21, Paid J. J. Nissley expenses to Reading....	\$ 1 78
Paid Zion's Ref'd Ch., Wilkes-Barre use of church	25 00
" for Printing tickets	1 25
" J. H. Stein expenses member Board of Trustees, Seminary	4 50
" W. R. Hendricks, printing blanks	3 00
" Rev. S. P. Brown, counsel fees Hartzel case..	8 00
" C. M. W. Keck, trustee for bondholders of the Allentown College for Women, 3 months interest on bonds	175 00
Jan. 5, balance in treasury	913 55
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	\$ 1,132 08

HOME MISSIONS.

DR.

Reading Classis	\$ 150 05
Tohickon Classis	286 59
Lebanon Classis	393 94
Lancaster Classis	408 12

West Susquehanna Classis	233 97	
Lehigh Classis	850 00	
Wyoming Classis	179 95	
East Pennsylvania Classis	601 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	200 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 3,303 62

Cr.

Paid John J. Nissley, Treasurer Missions.....	\$ 3,303 62
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HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Lebanon Classis	\$ 17 64	
Tohickon Classis	38 00	
Wyoming Classis	14 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	210 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	54 63	
Lehigh Classis	150 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 484 27

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Missions	\$ 484 27
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HARBOR MISSIONS.

Dr.

Tohickon Classis	\$ 15 00	
Wyoming Classis	3 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	7 00	
Lehigh Classis	30 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 55 00

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Missions	\$ 55 00
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GERMAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Lebanon Classis	\$ 12 92	
Tohickon Classis	37 00	
Wyoming Classis	11 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	37 00	
Lehigh Classis	80	
	<hr/>	\$ 177 92

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Missions	\$ 177 92
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CHURCH BUILDING.

Dr.

Tohickon Classis	\$ 113 55	
Lebanon Classis	22 72	
Lehigh Classis	80 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 291 27

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Missions	\$ 291 27
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SEMINARY AND GERHART FUND.

Dr.

S. S. Shenk, 6 mos. interest Cook Legacy.....	\$ 30 00	
Leonard Mauntz, 6 mos. interest Kiefer Legacy....	62 50	
	<hr/>	\$ 92 50

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer	\$ 92 50
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CURRENT EXPENSES, THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Dr.

Wyoming Classis	\$ 5 00	
Lehigh Classis	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 80 00

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer	\$ 80 00
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

Dr.

Oct. 20, 1902, balance in treasury	\$ 33 22
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Amount transferred from Contingent Expense account....	\$ 175 00
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Cr.

Paid C. M. W. Keck, trustee, 3 mos. interest to Jan. 1, 1903..	\$ 175 00
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MEMORIAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis	\$ 85 45	
Tohickon Classis	11 90	
Wyoming Classis	46 54	
Lancaster Classis	40 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	52 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	50 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 285 89

Cr.

Paid Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treasurer	\$ 285 89
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Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer.*

Hummelstown, Pa., Jan. 5, 1903.

S. A. Leinbach and W. M. Leinbach, appointed by the Board to examine the report of Treasurer J. J. Nissley, found the same correct.

S. A. LEINBACH,
W. M. LEINBACH.

Samuel M. Gingrich, Treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

CONTINGENT FUND, GENERAL SYNOD.

Dr.

Reading Classis	\$ 115 00	
Schuylkill Classis	76 00	
Lehigh Classis	103 00	
Lancaster Classis	86 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	60 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	76 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	78 00	
Tohickon Classis	107 00	
Wyoming Classis	76 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 777 00

Cr.

Paid W. R. Barnhart, Treasurer	\$ 777 00
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CONTINGENT FUND, EASTERN SYNOD.

October 20, 1902, balance in treasury	\$ 913 55
East Pennsylvania Classis	\$ 50 00
Lebanon Classis	70 00

Lehigh Classis	80 00	
Wyoming Classis	20 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	45 00	
Philadelphia Classis	46 00	
Lancaster Classis	42 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	38 61	
West Susquehanna Classis	37 00	
Schuylkill Classis	37 00	
Tohickon Classis	52 00	
Reading Classis	56 00	
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		\$ 1,487 16

CR.

Paid S. M. Gingrich expenses, postage, etc.	\$ 4 67	
" J. J. Nissley, expenses	2 28	
" Rev. J. P. Stein, salary as State Clerk.	175 00	
" Rev. J. P. Stein, expediting Minutes of Synod ..	25 73	
" Reformed Pub. Board, printing Minutes of Synod ..	293 35	
" Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., expenses Board of Visitors	2 50	
" Rev. E. N. Kremer, expenses Board of Visitors ..	6 00	
" Hummelstown Nat. Bank, interest on loan for use of Washington Memorial Church....	140 07	
Oct. 24, 1903, balance in treasury	837 56	
		\$ 1,487 16

HOME MISSIONS.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis	\$1,360 86	
Tohickon Classis	1,412 15	
Lebanon Classis	1,195 44	
Reading Classis	2,633 64	
Wyoming Classis	1,410 36	
West Susquehanna Classis	1,224 61	
East Susquehanna Classis	1,159 56	
Goshenhoppen Classis	1,390 02	
Lehigh Classis	2,167 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	1,950 00	
Lancaster Classis	1,493 92	
Philadelphia Classis	1,664 64	
		\$19,062 20

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$19,062 20
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HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

DR.

Lebanon Classis	\$ 135 00	
Tohickon Classis	128 22	
Wyoming Classis	158 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	62 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	238 00	
Lehigh Classis	180 00	
Philadelphia Classis	206 64	
Schuylkill Classis	146 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	100 80	
Goshenhoppen Classis	257 00	
Lancaster Classis	206 46	
Reading Classis	259 00	
		\$ 2,077 15

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CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions..... \$ 2,577 15

HARBOR MISSIONS.

DR.

Philadelphia Classis	\$ 27 09	
East Pennsylvania Classis	44 00	
Schuylkill Classis	34 61	
Lehigh Classis	25 00	
Lebanon Classis	22 00	
Tohickon Classis	14 72	
Wyoming Classis	24 00	
Lancaster Classis	32 04	
Goshenhoppen Classis	37 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	64 00	
Reading Classis	41 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	21 99	
		\$ 387 45

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Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions..... \$ 387 45

GERMAN MISSION WORK.

DR.

Philadelphia Classis	\$ 121 65	
East Pennsylvania Classis	154 00	
Schuylkill Classis	98 00	
Lehigh Classis	140 00	
Wyoming Classis	104 00	
Lebanon Classis	117 00	
Tohickon Classis	59 00	
Lancaster Classis	143 91	
Reading Classis	256 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	80 16	
		\$ 1,273 72

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions..... \$ 1,273 72

CHURCH BUILDING.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis	\$ 188 00	
Reading Classis	333 00	
Tohickon Classis	142 80	
Lebanon Classis	213 00	
Lancaster Classis	285 16	
West Susquehanna Classis	296 00	
Lehigh Classis	209 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	183 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	270 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	115 86	
Philadelphia Classis	152 54	
		\$ 2,388 36

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions..... \$ 2,388 36

SEMINARY AND GERHARD FUND.

DR.

A. Fackler, 12 mos. interest, Kiefer Legacy.....	\$ 150 00
Leonard Mountz, 12 mos. int. Kiefer Legacy.....	125 00
W. I. Clay, 12 mos. int., Kiefer Legacy.....	65 00

Jos. Nissley, 12 mos. int., Kiefer Legacy	30 00	
John H. Goss, 12 mos. int., Kiefer Legacy.....	100 00	
Samuel S. Shenk, 12 mos. int., Cooke Legacy.....	68 00	
Henry Alleman, 12 mos. int., Gerhard Fund.....	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 548 00

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treas. Kiefer Legacy.....	\$ 470 00	
" John B. Roth, Treas. Cooke Legacy.....	60 00	
" John Hertzler, Treas. Board Education, in- terest Gerhard Fund	6 00	
" Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, Treas. Foreign Missions, interest Gerhard Fund.....	6 00	
" J. J. Nissley, Treas. Board of Missions, in- terest Gerhard Fund	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 548 00

CURRENT EXPENSES, THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Dr.

Lehigh Classis	\$ 90 00	
Lebanon Classis ..	59 00	
Tohickon Classis	75 00	
Wyoming Classis	50 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	50 00	
Schuylkill Classis	65 91	
Goshenhoppen Classis	95 00	
Lancaster Classis	79 59	
Reading Classis	100 00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	51 60	
Philadelphia Classis	64 32	
West Susquehanna Classis	80 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 873 42

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer Seminary	\$ 873 42
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CATAWBA COLLEGE

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis	\$ 54 02	
Schuylkill Classis	33 73	
Lebanon Classis	48 00	
Wyoming Classis	50 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	27 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	74 00	
Lancaster Classis	47 65	
Reading Classis	69 00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	61 33	
Tohickon Classis ...	46 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 510 73

Cr.

Paid Rev. M. J. Rowe, Treasurer	\$ 510 73
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

Dr.

Oct. 20, 1902, balance in treasury.....	\$ 33 22
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Cr.

Oct. 24, 1903, balance in treasury	\$ 33 22
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

Lebanon Classis	\$ 74 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	52 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	28 55	
West Susquehanna Classis	86 00	
Schrylkill Classis	47 02	
Lancaster Classis	41 00	
Lehigh Classis	94 00	
Tohickon Classis	60 00	
Wyoming Classis	36 50	
Reading Classis	84 00	
Philadelphia Classis	22 85	
East Pennsylvania Classis	75 00	
	<hr/>	\$ 700 97

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Paid C. M. W. Keck, Trustee, 9 mos. interest on bonds to Oct. 1, 1903	\$ 525 00	
Oct. 24, 1903, balance in treasury	175 97	
	<hr/>	\$ 700 97

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Jan. 9, 1903, lien and loan from Hummelstown Nat. Bank by the Board of Trustees, as per in- structions of Synod	\$3,500 00	
Lancaster Classis	53 00	
Lebanon Classis	25 00	
Lehigh Classis	253 63	
East Pennsylvania Classis	161 91	
West Susquehanna Classis	28 83	
East Susquehanna Classis	36 06	
Schrylkill Classis	182 33	
Wyoming Classis	91 10	
Goshenhoppen Classis	10 00	
Tohickon Classis	4 90	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,346 76

CR.

Paid Rev. C. S. Slagle, Treasurer, balance due....	\$3,801 09	
" Hummelstown Nat. Bank on account of loan..	545 67	
	<hr/>	\$ 4,346 76

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. GINGRICH, *Treasurer.*

Swatara Station, Pa., Oct. 24, 1903.

We, the undersigned auditors, have examined the foregoing accounts
and find them correct as stated.

A. B. DUNDORE,
W. M. LEINBACH.

Reading, Pa., Oct. 26, 1903.

ARREARAGES.

CLASSES.	Contingent. General Synod.	Contingent. Eastern Synod	Home Missions.	Hungarian Missions.	Harbor Missions.	German Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.
S. Pennsylvania.	\$63 00	\$10 00	\$1550 00	\$162 00	\$7 00	\$80 00	\$251 00	\$77 00	
Wyoming.....		17 00	580 64	87 00	8 00	51 00	297 00	17 00	24 50
Lehigh.....	00 00		2183 00	315 00	36 00	182 00	502 00	81 00	
Schuykill.....			000 14	70 00		56 00	82 00	14 00	4 98
Lancaster.....			000 08	48 64	2 00	20 00	65 84	8 41	35 80
E. Susquehanna.			800 44	129 20	11 01	74 84	193 14	29 40	61 45
Lebanon.....	143 00		3354 56	285 00	31 00	158 00	327 00	80 00	58 00
Tobieken.....			1237 85	181 78	27 28	151 00	274 20	35 00	
Goshenhoppen...	92 00		1059 98	18 00		180 00	181 00		
Philadelphia...	95 00		835 36	73 33	10 91	63 35	258 46	34 68	73 40
Reading.....			386 36	91 00	4 00		126 00	18 00	
W. Susquehanna.			775 30	183 00		156 00			
	\$353 00	\$27 00	\$12307 80	\$1612 85	\$139 16	\$1183 28	\$2610 64	\$401 58	\$258 13

**Report of Permanent Committee to Raise Funds for the Purchase of
Allentown College for Women.**

In response to item 6 in report on Minutes of Synod in regard to raising funds for the purchase of Allentown College for Women the following report was read and adopted. The report reads as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee on raising money toward the purchase of Allentown College for Women by Eastern Synod beg leave to offer the following report:

The committee had a very interesting meeting in the parlors of the College last winter to discuss methods and plans for hastening the consummation of the work in hand.

The Committee was very favorably impressed with the excellent and flourishing condition of the College under its efficient management. A large number of improvements have been made within the past few years, greatly enhancing the value of the College property without increasing its indebtedness, making it all the more urgent that the Synod should gain possession of the property as soon as possible.

It was felt that the only way to raise the balance of the purchase money is to go out and gather it in. With the hearty co-operation of the pastors of the Synod and the earnest efforts

of the committee this can be accomplished in due time. We are happy to state that a number of the congregations and charges in the Synod have paid their quota of the purchase money in full, and a few have overpaid it. If the remaining congregations and charges would raise their portion at the rate of twenty-five cents per capita for the communicant membership the balance would be speedily forthcoming.

The committee regrets to state that very little of a material character was done during the past year. Only \$44.25 was placed into the hands of the Treasurer of Synod, and that amount was raised by the President of the College in one of our country charges. The total amount thus far secured is \$6,573.18, leaving a balance of \$13,426.82 still to be raised, a part of which is covered by pledges.

The chairman of the committee was not enabled to give any time to this work during the past year because of his removal to a large and laborious pastorate; and, because of his increased labors and distance from the College, feels constrained to tender his resignation from the chairmanship of the committee.

Because of the former efficiency of the President of the College, Prof. J. W. Knappenberger, in the capacity of chairman of the committee, and because the conditions which necessitated his withdrawal from the committee a few years ago have changed, we recommend that Synod reappoint him to that position.

We request Synod to instruct the respective Classes within its bounds to appoint special committees at their annual sessions with the representatives of Synod's committee from the Classes as chairmen, for the purpose of devising plans by which the remainder of the purchase money may be raised as speedily as possible, these committees to co-operate with the chairman of Synod's committee.

We would remind Synod of the fact that it is necessary to apportion \$700 to provide for the annual interest on the amount of purchase money still unpaid.

The following is the personnel of the committee of Synod, as reconstructed for the purchase of Allentown College for Women, namely: Prof. J. W. Knappenberger, chairman; East Pennsylvania Classis, Rev. J. G. Rupp; Lebanon Classis, Rev. W. F. DeLong; Philadelphia Classis, Rev. David U. Wolff,

D.D.; Lancaster Classis, Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D.; East Susquehanna Classis, Rev. Robert O'Boyle; West Susquehanna Classis, Rev. A. A. Black; Goshenhoppen Classis, Rev. J. E. Freeman; Tohickon Classis, Rev. C. B. Weaver; Lehigh Classis, Rev. D. E. Schoedler, D.D.; Schuylkill Classis, Rev. S. L. Whitmore; Reading Classis, Rev. James R. Brown; Wyoming Classis, Rev. S. E. Stofflet.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. W. DICKERT, *Chairman.*

The interest accruing on the bonded debt was referred to the Standing Committee on Finance for apportionment.

II. Report of Standing Committee on Finance.

The report on Finance was received on Monday, the fifth day of the sessions, acted on and adopted. The report is as follows, to-wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Finance would respectfully offer the following report:

There were referred to your committee the following: The Treasurer's report, properly audited by the Trustees of Synod and found correct; the report of the Trustees of Synod together with the several amounts referred to us for apportionment.

From the report of the Trustees we gather that they effected the loan of \$3,500 for the Washington Memorial Reformed Church as directed by Synod. It appears that the Classes have paid upon this loan such amounts as to reduce the principal to about \$2,900. This amount should be paid as soon as possible and we therefore offer the following:

Resolved, That this Synod call the attention of the several Classes to the amounts they owe to the Synod on Washington Church account, and furthermore urge the Classes to provide the means whereby the loan can be liquidated as soon as possible.

Resolved, That the Synod instruct its Treasurer to pay the accrued interest, temporarily, out of the contingent fund of Synod.

Amounts referred for apportionment:

Eastern Synod Contingent Fund	\$ 600
Foreign Missions	18,450

Home Missions	32,370
Hungarian and Bohemian Missions	3,690
German Missions	2,426
Harbor Missions	492
Church Building	5,002
Seminary Aid	1,575
Allentown College	700

These amounts have been apportioned as follows:

CLASSES.	General Synod Contingent.	Eastern Synod Contingent	Foreign Missions.	Home Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions	German Missions.	Harbor Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.
Lehigh	\$ 60	\$ 80	\$2,500	\$4,300	\$465	\$322	\$ 61	\$771	\$220	\$ 84
Lebanon	148	70	2,100	3,550	420	275	52	540	194	80
East Pennsylvania	53	60	1,975	3,500	400	240	51	521	165	75
Reading		68	1,700	3,000	350	225	45	450	100	64
Tobacco		52	1,550	2,650	310	210	42	417	145	58
Philadelphia	96	48	1,400	2,500	280	185	38	411	128	58
Coateshoppen	92	45	1,375	2,450	275	180	37	364	126	62
Lancaster		42	1,300	2,400	255	170	35	351	117	49
East Susquehanna		38	1,175	2,050	230	155	33	308	106	45
Wyoming		37	1,125	2,000	225	155	32	297	106	43
West Susquehanna		37	1,125	2,000	225	155	32	293	106	43
Schuykill		37	1,125	1,970	225	154	32	270	100	43

We would call attention to the fact, that East Pennsylvania Classis is \$10 in arrears on Synodical contingent fund account, and that Wyoming Classis is \$17 in arrears on the same account.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. HACKER, *Chairman*,

J. M. S. ISENBERG, R. MONROE HOFFMAN,
K. O. SPESSARD, ROBERT R. RUPP.

An order was granted on the Treasurer for \$25 in favor of Rev. I. C. Fisher for the use of St. Mark's church, Lebanon, Pa., to Synod in holding its annual sessions.

Orders were granted to Rev. G. A. Schwedes for \$31, expenses incurred in printing for College Jubilee; \$15 to Dr. A. R. Koplin, expenses of committee in formulating a statement in regard to an improved method in aiding worthy young men preparing for Christian ministry; \$8 to Mr. Bowman, Lebanon, Pa., for printing reports for distribution in Synod and the tickets for election.

The Treasurer was also instructed to advance the money required in publishing the Minutes of Coetus with the under-

standing that he is to be reimbursed by the sales made of the Minutes of Coetus by the Reformed Church Publication Board.

Rev. C. E. Creitz was elected a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod.

Elder Samuel M. Gingrich, of Swatara Station, Pa., was re-elected as Treasurer of Synod.

ARTICLE XVI.

APPEALS AND REFERENCES.

On the second day of the sessions items 8, 9, 10 and 11 in the report on Overtures having reference to appeals by H. M. Kieffer, D.D., against the action of East Pennsylvania Classis, were referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. C. B. Schneder, N. Z. Snyder and Elder F. G. Hobson, who submitted the following report which was adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

Kieffer Appeal Case.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your special committee to whom were referred several items from the report of the Committee on Overtures relating to certain complaints and appeals on the part of Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D.D., against the action of East Pennsylvania Classis of this Synod, and to a complaint and appeal on the part of the spiritual council of the First Reformed church, of Easton, Pa., against action of the same Classis, respectfully begs leave to report that we have examined the documents placed in our hands and find the respective complaints and appeals in order. We also find that the complaints and appeals of Rev. Dr. Kieffer are so closely connected as to suggest the advisability of considering them at one and the same time.

In view of the foregoing we recommend:

1. That the complaints and appeals of Rev. Dr. Kieffer be considered as one case.
2. That the consideration of this case be made the order of the day on Friday immediately after the consideration of the matter now designated as the order of the day for Friday morning.

3. That the necessary documents in the case be read.
4. That one hour and thirty minutes be allowed the complainant and appellant to be heard through his counsel, and that thirty minutes be given the same to close the case.
5. That two hours be allowed East Pennsylvania Classis, the appellee, to be heard through appointed counsel.
6. That Synod shall then without discussion decide the case on the complaints and appeals by yeas and nays.
7. That immediately after the conclusion of the foregoing case the complaint and appeal of the spiritual council shall be taken up.
8. That the necessary papers be read.
9. That twenty-five minutes be allowed complainant and appellant for opening, and fifteen minutes for closing the case.
10. That forty minutes be allowed East Pennsylvania Classis, the appellee, to be heard.
11. That Synod shall then, without discussion, decide the case on complaint and appeal by yeas and nays.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SCHNEDER,
N. Z. SNYDER, F. G. HOBSON.

At the time appointed in the report the case was taken up for hearing. The official documents pertaining to the case were read. The appellant was heard by his counsel, Revs. John H. Sechler, D.D., and Thos. J. Hacker, D.D., and the appellee was heard by its counsel, Revs. John F. DeLong, G. A. Schwedes, H. H. Sangree and W. H. Wotring.

After the arguments in the case were heard Synod proceeded to vote by calling the roll and recording the yeas and nays, and the result of the vote was 33 yeas, 54 nays, 2 non-liquet.

Yeas—Revs. John H. Sechler, D.D., E. W. Middleton, R. C. Zartman, D.D., E. F. Weist, I. M. S. Isenberg, C. H. Coon, D.D., E. N. Kremer, D.D., J. H. Watts, John G. Noss, C. D. Kressley, L. M. Fetterolf, C. B. Schneder, T. J. Hacker, R. M. Kern, J. J. Fisher, J. B. Kershner, S. E. Stofflet, C. H. Herbst, John Ph. Stein; Elders F. G. Hobson, J. S. Sechler, Jas. Buchanan, Alex. Miller, H. Spies, A. Schwenk, J. McIntire, A. B. Scheffey, John B. Kieffer, F. E. Ammerman, Amandus Snyder, J. Sweisfort, C. J. Schaeffer, J. S. Wise.

Nays—Revs. W. F. More, D. K. Laudenslager, L. D. Stambaugh, Wm. F. DeLong, F. A. Rupley, A. S. Bromer, R. F. Reed, Thos. S. Land, D. W. Gerhard, A. C. Whitmer, I. M. Schaeffer, A. A. Black, K. O. Spessard, N. Z. Snyder, D.D., J. R. Bergey, L. K. Evans, Thos. H. Leinbach, C. S. Wieand, T. F. Herman, D. A. Winter, Geo. P. Stem, Thos. H. Krick, Jas. O. Oswald, O. H. Strunck, S. L. Whitmore, A. Houtz, C. E. Schaeffer, H. H. Rupp; Elders S. J. Weaver, A. P. Zellner, H. Kern, E. O. Gilbert, W. M. Leinbach, J. J. Nissley, John H. Landis, H. Stamm, G. J. P. Raub, A. M. Keim, Jared Harper, W. M. Robinson, W. F. From, L. W. Weirbach, L. Shipe, H. Bobb, O. C. Keiper, H. A. Cole, Robert Rupp, R. H. Kramm, E. S. Simmons, Justus Sherer, F. A. Brown, Wm. J. Balliet, A. M. DeWitt, Alem Mauser, J. H. Stein, R. M. Hoffman.

Non liquet—Revs. Wm. J. Kerschner, E. H. Burkholder.

The counsel for the appellant, Rev. John H. Sechler, D.D., gave notice that in the name of the pastor, Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D.D., the consistory and spiritual council of the First Reformed church, Easton, Pa., that he appealed against the action of the Eastern Synod to the General Synod to convene May, 1905, in Allentown, Pa.

Complaint and Appeal of Rev. H. M. Kieffer and the Spiritual Council of First Reformed Church, Easton, Pa., Against Action of East Pennsylvania Classis.

The minutes of the Spiritual Council of First Reformed Church, Easton, Pa., and other documents pertaining to the case were read.

Rev. E. N. Kremer, counsel for the appellant, and Revs. H. H. Sangree and W. H. Wotring, counsel for the appellee, presented the arguments in the case after which Synod proceeded to vote by calling the roll and recording the yeas and nays, the vote resulting as follows: 40 yeas, 36 nays, and 7 non liquet.

Yeas—Revs. Edw. S. Bromer, John H. Sechler, D.D., E. W. Middleton, R. C. Zartman, D.D., F. A. Rupley, Jr., E. F. Wiest, J. M. S. Isenberg, A. S. Bromer, C. H. Coon, D.D., E. N. Kremer, D.D., J. H. Watts, J. G. Noss, A. C. Whitmer, L. M. Fetterolf, C. B. Schneder, N. Z. Snyder, D.D., T. H. Leinbach, Thos. J. Hacker, D.D., T. F. Herman, Robert M. Kern, O. H.

Strunck, J. B. Kerschner, C. H. Herbst, C. E. Schaeffer, John Ph. Stein; Elders J. S. Sechler, Alex. Miller, H. Spies, A. Schwenk, J. McIntire, A. B. Scheffey, John J. Nissley, E. H. Burkholder, John B. Kieffer, F. E. Ammerman, O. E. Keiper, Amandus Snyder, J. Sweisfort, C. J. Shaffer, J. S. Wise.

Nays—Revs. W. J. Kershner, Wm. F. DeLong, D. W. Gerhard, I. M. Schaeffer, A. A. Black, K. O. Spessard, J. R. Berg, J. O. Lindaman, L. K. Evans, D.D., C. S. Wieand, D. A. Winter, Geo. P. Stem, Thos. H. Krick, Jas. O. Oswald, S. L. Whitmore, D.D., A. Houtz, H. H. Rupp; Elders A. P. Zellner, Henry Kern, F. G. Hobson, Hiram Stamm, G. J. P. Raub, Jared Harper, W. M. Robison, W. R. From, Zeno W. Weirback, Abel A. Stover, Leidy Shipe, Henry Bobb, H. A. Cole, Robert Rupp, R. H. Kramm, E. C. Simmons, Justus Sherer, F. A. Brown, Jacob H. Stein.

Non liquet—Revs. W. F. More, R. F. Reed, Thos. S. Land, C. D. Kressley, S. E. Stöfflet, F. H. Ruloff, Elder R. M. Hoffman.

A Definition of the Meaning of the Vote.

On motion a committee was appointed to define the meaning of the vote in the second appeal case, consisting of Revs. N. Z. Snyder, John G. Noss and Elder F. G. Hobson.

On the fifth day of the sessions the following report was received and adopted:

Your Committee appointed to define the meaning and force of the action of Synod in sustaining the appeal of the Spiritual Council of the First Reformed Church, Easton, Pa., against the action of East Pennsylvania Classis by which deacons Otto, Anglemeyer and Groman were restored to office and to membership in said church, begs leave to offer the following report:

In order to determine the meaning and force of the action of Synod in this case, it is deemed well to give a summary of the essential facts which have preceded this action of the Synod.

1. Certain charges were preferred by the Spiritual Council of the First Reformed church, Easton, Pa., against Deacons Otto, Anglemeyer and Groman.

2. These deacons refused to respond to the citations on the ground that the Council had no jurisdiction in the case.

3. After the charges were heard by the Council in the usual way and the sentence of deposition from office and suspension

from membership in the Church of Deacons Anglemeyer and Groman, and the deposition of Deacon Otto and his excommunication from membership in the Church, these deacons gave this ground of non-jurisdiction by not bringing it before the appellate court, the Classis of East Pennsylvania, and by giving instead of this the reasons for the appeal which they made to said Classis: (a) That the charges against them were made by improper and unhallowed motives, and (b) that the charges were not true.

4. The Classis of East Pennsylvania by entertaining these reasons and deeming them sufficient to try the appeal, and by its action reversing the action of the lower court, did so without any testimony before it from said court to show either improper and unhallowed motives, or that the charges were untrue, there being no appellant counsel or testimony in behalf of the aforesaid deacons at the time the charges against them were heard.

On the ground of these facts the Synod means to say by its action in sustaining the appeal of the Spiritual Council of the First Reformed church, of Easton, Pa., that said Classis erred by reversing without testimony the action of the lower court on the ground of insufficient testimony to establish the truthfulness and sincerity of the charges against Deacons Otto, Anglemeyer and Groman.

The force of this action of Synod is the reversal of the action of the Classis of East Pennsylvania which restored Deacon Otto, Anglemeyer and Groman to their position in office and membership in the congregation.

On the second day of the sessions the seventh item in the report on Overtures having reference to an appeal by Rev. N. W. Helfrich against the action of Lehigh Classis of Reformed Church in the United States was submitted to a special committee consisting of Revs. Thos. H. Leinbach, J. G. Noss and Elder A. B. Rieser, who presented the following report which was adopted:

Helfrich Appeal Case.

You special committee to whom were referred the papers in the appeal of Rev. N. W. Helfrich against the action of Lehigh Classis reports that it has examined said papers and finds the appeal in order, and recommends that the appeal be heard in the following order:

1. That the papers in the case be read.
2. That the appellant be allowed thirty minutes to present the case.
3. That the respondent be allowed forty-five minutes to defend the action of the Classis.
4. That the appellant be given fifteen minutes to conclude the case.
5. That without further discussion a vote be immediately taken by Synod on the merits of the case.
6. That the hearing of the case be made the order of the day on Saturday at 9.30 a. m.

THOS. H. LEINBACH,
JOHN G. NOSS, A. B. RIESER.

At the appointed hour the papers bearing on the appeal were read. The appellant was heard through his counsel, Revs. R. C. Zartman, D.D., and J. Lewis Fluck, and the appellee in its counsel, Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, D.D. After the hearing of the arguments bearing on the case, Synod proceeded to vote by calling the roll and the appeal was not sustained, there being only nineteen yeas in favor and fifty-one against sustaining the appeal. The result is as follows:

Yeas—Revs. Edw. S. Bromer, John H. Sechler, D.D., E. W. Middleton, R. C. Zartman, D.D., E. F. Wiest, J. M. S. Isenberg, A. S. Bromer, C. H. Coon, D.D., D. W. Gerhard, J. O. Lindaman, E. N. Kremer, D.D.; Elders F. G. Hobson, J. S. Sechler, Alex. Miller, A. Schwenk, J. McIntire, A. B. Scheffey, John B. Kieffer, J. S. Wise.

Nays—Revs. John F. DeLong, D.D., W. H. Wotring, W. F. More, Wm. F. DeLong, F. A. Rupley, Jr., R. F. Reed, Thos. S. Land, J. G. Noss, A. C. Whitmer, I. M. Schaeffer, C. D. Kressley, L. M. Fetterolf, C. B. Schneider, A. A. Black, K. O. Spessard, N. Z. Snyder, D.D., J. R. Bergey, L. K. Evans, D.D., Thos. H. Leinbach, C. S. Wicand, Geo. P. Stem, Jas. O. Oswald, O. H. Strunck, S. L. Whitmore, D.D., J. B. Kerschner, S. E. Stofflet, A. Houtz, C. H. Herbst, H. H. Rupp, John Ph. Stein; Elders A. P. Zellner, T. Odenwelder, Henry Kern, John J. Nissley, E. H. Burkholder, Hiram Stamm, G. J. P. Raub, Jared Harper, W. R. From, Zeno W. Weirback, Henry Bobb, P. P. Keiper, E. C. Simmons, A. Snyder, Justus Sherer, W.

J. Balliet, A. M. DeWitt, J. Sweisfort, Alem Mauser, Jacob H. Stein, R. M. Hoffman.

Rev. Rufus C. Zartman, D.D., the counsel in behalf of the appellant, gave notice of appeal to the General Synod against the action taken by this body.

The President of Synod appointed Revs. John F. DeLong, D.D., and Gus. A. Schwedes to defend the action of this body before the General Synod in the Kieffer appeal case; and Revs. Thos. J. Hacker and Wilson F. More to defend the action of the Eastern Synod before the General Synod in the Helfrich appeal case.

ARTICLE XVII.

COMPLAINTS.

Nothing occurred under this head requiring the attention of Synod.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The following report of the General Sunday-school Board and also Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Sunday-schools, except the item referring to a vacancy on the Board, which was referred to Standing Committee on Nominations.

Annual Report of the General Sunday-school Board.

To the District Synods of the Reformed Church in the United States:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Sunday-school Board of the Reformed Church begs leave to submit a brief report of the year's operations, with a few recommendations for your consideration. First,

THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

Grants of literature to forty-nine schools were made at the cost of \$421.26. Four Sunday-school missionaries were employed, five new schools established, out of which four congregations have grown. The Board is arranging to issue a monthly Hungarian Sunday-school paper and lesson help. The

requests for the starting of new schools continue to increase. That the Sunday-schools are beginning to appreciate this work is shown in that the offerings to Sunday-school missions made within the last few months indicate an increase of about \$1,000 over previous years. The following is the report of the Treasurer of the Sunday-school and missionary department, J. H. Bomberger, D.D., for the year ending April 1st, 1903.

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1902.		
Apr. 1.	Balance brought forward	\$695 00
1903.		
Mar 31.	To cash received to date inclus., viz:	
	Offerings of Sunday Schools....	1,797 20
	Appropriated from Business Dept.	800 00
		<u>\$2,597 20</u>
		<u>\$3,292 20</u>

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Salaries of S. S. Missionaries and one-third salary	
of General Secretary	\$1,530 17
Grants of Literature, printing Children's Day Services	1,219 92
Printing, Postage, Office and Miscellaneous expenses	342 93
General Secretary's Traveling expenses	44 70
	<u>\$3,137 72</u>
Balance credited for Department.....	\$154 48

THE EDITORIAL AND SUNDAY-SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

Marked improvements have been made in our Reformed Lesson Helps, to which the special attention of Classes should be called. Beginning with the Fourth Quarter, 1903, all the lesson periodicals and the Heidelberg Teacher have been increased in size. The typographical appearance has been improved. A superior quality of paper is used, the lesson text is printed in full in both the Authorized and the American Standard Revision. Other improvements, including the larger use of illustrations and new title pages, will be made early in the year. The improvements have been made at a considerably increased cost to the Board, but without any advance in the cost to the schools of the Church. The especial attention of Classes should be called to the fact that our schools pay less for Reformed Lesson Helps than the prices charged by most of the leading denominations. The subscription price of our periodicals in no case exceeds that of other denominational Boards. It is also to be noted that our Sunday-school Hymnals

and other supplies are furnished at the same or less prices than charged by other denominational boards.

THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

is conducted on business principles. The selling price of our Sunday-school publications and supplies is so fixed as to cover the cost, provide for the growth of the business, and secure the largest possible use of the publications of the Board. The percentage of profits as indicated by the earnings of the Board is not more than the usual percentage fixed by other denominational publishing houses. The Board conducts the business department so as to make it truly educational, and therefore of real value to the Sunday-schools of the Church. At the same time, being compelled to create the capital necessary for the business department, it aims to safeguard itself against contingencies and to provide the cash necessary to purchase material in advance and to give the schools time to pay their accounts. The business is not conducted for profit, but for the good of the Church.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDING MARCH 31ST, 1903.

Assets.

Cash on hand	\$3,847 96
Accounts receivable	9,062 18
Mdse. (Phila & Dayton) inventorial, 10 per cent. less than cost	9,871 56
Paper on hand for periodicals	1,508 05
Furniture and fixtures, total cost, \$1,989.06, of which \$541.18 was expended in 1902-'03 (charged off) ..	000 00
Plates, engravings, etc. (including Primary S. S. Hymnal), purchased in 1902-'03, cost	\$721 77
Plates, etc., taken in last year	500 00
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	\$1,221 77
Charge off 1-3 as depreciation	\$407 26
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	\$814 51
Due from S. S. and Miss. Dep't (account \$1,000 donated to Oak Lane Church) ..	\$1,000 00
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	\$26,104 25

Liabilities.

Capital, April, 1902	\$18,153 74
Periodicals paid for 2d, 3d, 4th qr. 1903, not supplied	3,900 96
Accounts payable	267 53

Royalty due Society for Relief of Ministers and their Widows on sale of S. S. Hymnals	130 00	
		<u>\$22,452 23</u>
Net gain		\$3,652 03

The cash receipts for the year were \$59,651.40—an increase over last year of \$10,947.72.

Attention is called to a new book in the denominational reading course for teachers and young people, "Famous Missionaries of the Reformed Church," by the Rev. James I. Good, D.D. This work ought to help to create a deeper interest in the work of missions and to cultivate an interest in the history of the Church. There are marked manifestations of interest in the Sunday-school work of our Church. The Sunday-school membership is growing relatively faster than the Church membership. Sunday-school conventions are being held. Our Reformed literature continues to increase in circulation. There is a wide-spread interest in the subject of graded schools and teacher training. More than ever, emphasis is being laid upon the responsibility of the pastor as the teacher of teachers, the importance and necessity of increasing the power of the teaching function of the ministry. We trust your reverend body will give due attention to this subject. Advanced courses of Bible study and higher standards of Sunday-school instruction wait upon teacher training, as well as upon the hearty reading and study of the literature of the Church by the schools and young people's societies. Your Board desires to be a helper in this all-important work, and we ask through you of the Classes of the Church for their cordial co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

C. CLEVER, *President*,

RUFUS W. MILLER, *Gen'l Secretary*.

Philadelphia, Sept. 18, 1903.

Report of Eastern Synod's Permanent Sunday-school Committee.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: Your committee through its chairman was permitted to engage in carrying forward the work of inaugurating "Home Missionary Day" among the Sunday-schools of the Synod, and judging from the ingathering not only of revenue

but of increased interest in Mission work we feel assured that the movement was both wise and judicious. We took some share in establishing the first summer school for teacher training which was held at Naomi Pines, Pa., July 26 to 30, 1903. For a beginning the numbers present was encouraging and the instruction given by experienced workers was most edifying. Great credit must be given to Rev. Dr. R. W. Miller for the successful accomplishment of this enterprise.

Your committee held a meeting for conference with the Sunday-school committees of the various Classes of the Synod in the St. John's Reformed church of Lebanon, Pa., on October 1, 1903. The meetings of the conference were reasonably well attended and we herewith record our thanks for the netertainment of the members of the conference by the congregation. From the reports and statements made at this conference we are enabled to say to this Synod that the interests of the Sunday-school are well cared for within our bounds. Indications of progress are evident and the outlook for the future is encouraging as the following gathered from the statistics will amply show. Twelve more schools reported, and an increased enrollment of pupils of 2,500 over last year and the offerings for benevolence on the part of the schools exceeds that of one year ago by \$1,658. These facts speak for themselves.

The following topics were taken up by the conference and freely discussed, viz :

1. The Sunday-school building and its equipment.
2. The practical Sunday-school teacher.
3. Topical vs. textual teaching.
4. The Chicago idea.

During the sessions of the conference the item of convention work and of superintendents' unions, wherever practicable, were heartily endorsed and upon motion the resolutions of a year ago with reference to the summer school for teacher training were reiterated and the following committee appointed: Rev. T. J. Hacker, D.D., Rev. R. W. Miller, D.D., Rev. L. K. Evans, D.D., and Superintendents Leinbach, of Reading, Pa., and Landis, of Philadelphia, Pa. The hope is expressed that this branch of the work will be fostered for the greater benefit of the internal life and growth of our Sunday-schools.

After due deliberation the following recommendations to the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church were adopted:

1. The insistence by Synod for fuller and more accurate statistics.

2. The earnest commendation of the summer school for teacher training as inaugurated by the conference.

3. That the Synod be requested to take such action looking toward the establishment of a lectureship on Pedagogy in the Theological Seminary.

We herewith transmit to your body the tabulated Sunday-school statistics for incorporation in the minutes. We also give notice that the term of S. P. Heilman, M.D., expires with this meeting of the Synod.

The expenses of your committee were \$6.50.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. HACKER, D.D., *Chairman,*

S. P. HEILMAN, M.D., *Secretary.*

Summary of Statistics of Sunday Schools, Eastern Synod.

CLASSES.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Total.
E. Pennsylvania	76	1,659	9,278	10,937
Lebanon	58	1,396	8,592	9,988
Philadelphia	38	913	8,370	9,283
Lancaster	50	948	6,632	7,580
E. Susquehanna	52	1,003	6,519	7,522
W. Susquehanna	58	914	5,663	6,577
Tohickon	44	991	6,564	7,555
Goshenhoppen	29	787	5,198	5,985
Lehigh	75	1,652	14,176	15,828
Schuylkill	30	617	5,366	5,983
Wyoming	46	822	6,366	7,188
Reading	29	1,067	9,714	10,781
Totals	585	12,769	92,438	105,207

CLASSES.	Sunday-school Board.	Other Boards.	Other Benev. Objects.	School.
E. Pennsylvania				
Lebanon	134	842	177	5,489
Philadelphia	54	1,574	1,651	6,311
Lancaster	173	407	1,646	4,061
E. Susquehanna	134	774	620	2,855
W. Susquehanna	67	253	281	2,220
Tohickon	16	346	56	3,436
Goshenhoppen	81	695	331	4,037
Lehigh	464	1,025	1,759	5,927
Schuylkill	81	644	376	2,725
Wyoming	201	636	552	2,264
Reading	128	2,255	3,258	4,593
Totals	1,533	9,451	10,707	43,918

Report of Standing Committee on Sunday-schools.

This report was presented on Monday during the afternoon session, acted on item by item, and adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Sunday-schools begs leave to submit the following report:

The following papers were referred to us: The Sunday-school Statistics of the several Classes, the report of the Permanent Sunday-school Committee of Synod, and the report of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod.

These papers furnish documentary evidence of the prosperous condition of the Sunday-school work within the bounds of Eastern Synod. Your committee notes with pleasure the fact that the importance of Sunday-schools is increasingly felt. More and more people and pastors are beginning to see that the Sunday-school is the natural ally of the Church and its most efficient and promiseful auxiliary force. The Permanent Sunday-school Committee of Eastern Synod reports a gratifying increase in numbers and benevolent offerings. The report of the Sunday-school Board of General Synod makes it evident that their work, in all its various phases, is thriving and expanding.

Through the efforts of the missionary department of the Board four new congregations were added to the roll of our Church, and in return the Sunday-schools of the Church have given about \$1,000 more to the Board than during any previous year. The editorial department has made marked improvements in our lesson helps without increasing their cost to the school, thus insuring a wide circulation for our literature.

Both the Permanent Committee and the Sunday-school Board merit the gratitude of Synod for their faithful and successful work, and our hearty support in their efforts in behalf of the Sunday-school cause.

Your committee begs leave to submit the following recommendations:

1. That Synod insist on getting full and accurate Sunday-school statistics from the several Classes.
2. That through the Classes the attention of pastors is directed to the advantages of Graded Sunday-schools.
3. That renewed attention is called to the excellent lesson helps and Sunday-school supplies of our Sunday-school Board, especially to their graded work for young children.

4. That the summer school at Naomi Pines for teacher training is heartily recommended to the patronage of pastors and lay workers.

5. That Synod request the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster to consider the advisability of establishing a lectureship of pedagogy in the Theological Seminary.

6. That the Sunday-school statistics of the Synod, together with the reports of the Permanent Committee and of the General Board, be incorporated in the minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. F. HERMAN,
F. A. RUPLEY, F. G. HOBSON,
D. A. WINTER, DR. J. SWEISFORT.

Dr. S. P. Heilman, of Heilmandale, was re-elected as a member of the Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools.

ARTICLE XIX.

PUBLICATION.

In response to the eleventh item in report on Minutes of Synod concerning the publishing of Minutes of the last sessions of Synod held at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., the following report was read and adopted:

Printing Minutes of Synod.

The undersigned begs leave to report that 4,000 copies of the Acts and Proceedings of the 156th annual sessions of Synod were printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distributed among those entitled to receive them, according to the rules and regulations of Synod in the case. The work was done by Reformed Publication Board at a cost of \$293.35, and the Minutes were distributed in December.

JOHN PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have printed 4,200 copies of Minutes of the present Synod, bound in pamphlet form, and to distribute the same to those entitled to receive them.

Annual Report of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Board of Publication begs leave to submit to your reverend body for your inspection and consideration the following as their annual report. We first of all present to you two exhibits, the one showing the losses and gains in last year's business, the other giving the resources and liabilities of the entire plant at the close of the year on the first day of July last.

LOSSES AND GAINS.

	BOOK DEPARTMENT.	LOSSES.	GAINS.
Inventory July 1, 1903	\$ 9,581 80		
Credits	23,298 08		
	<hr/>	\$32,879 88	
Inventory July 1, 1902	\$11,633 55		
Debits	18,814 79		
	<hr/>	\$30,448 34	
			\$2,431 54

REVIEW.

Credits	\$1,353 21	
Debits	1,334 66	
	<hr/>	\$18 55
Interest on investments		\$194 67
Royalty from S. S. Board		812 50

MESSENGER.

Inventory July 1, 1902	\$ 803 78	
Debits	23,396 93	
	<hr/>	\$24,200 71
Inventory July 1, 1903	\$ 540 34	
Credits	21,308 28	
	<hr/>	\$21,848 62
		\$2,352 09

FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.

Inventory July 1, 1902	\$1,306 80	
Debits	136 40	
	<hr/>	\$1,443 20
Inventory July 1, 1903	1,422 15	
	<hr/>	\$21 05
Expenses Board Meetings, Printing Reports and Auditing Committee		\$91 60
Net income for the year		\$992 52
Total		<hr/>
		\$3,457 26
		\$3,457 26

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES JULY 1, 1903.

RESOURCES.

Cash	\$1,397 96
Money invested in Bonds, Mortgages, etc.	4,500 00
Accounts receivable	3,392 79

Merchandise, Book Department	9,581 80	
Merchandise, Messenger Department	540 34	
Advertising Accounts Receivable	1,228 30	
Rent paid in advance	233 33	
Furniture and fixtures	1,422 15	
Subscriptions due Messenger	4,203 74	
Subscriptions due Review	343 00	
		<hr/> \$26,843 41

LIABILITIES.

Messenger subscriptions paid in advance	\$2,185 89	
Review subscriptions paid in advance	261 50	
Net capital, July 1, 1903	24,396 02	
		<hr/> \$26,843 41

In the judgment of the Board your publication interests are in an encouraging condition. There has been a marked increase in the volume of business done in the book department and in the profits resulting therefrom. And we again ask the Synods to give this branch of the institution their cordial support and increased patronage in order that still better results may be accomplished in the future. In the Messenger account there is a deficit of considerable dimensions. This is what was to have been expected when the subscription price of the paper was reduced to \$1.25 per annum. In fact the shortage is not as great as the Board had anticipated. In the opinion of the manager even on the basis of its present circulation the Messenger account will make a more favorable showing a year hence because of increased income from various sources, especially from the advertising department. But the main remedy must be found in a larger circulation and the Board thinks that the Synods, in view of the low price of the paper, have the right to request and expect that every pastor within their bounds shall put forth faithful and persevering efforts to have the circulation of the Messenger increased among the members of his charge. With the view of eliciting a deeper interest in the family church paper and of effecting a larger circulation of it the Board adopted the following action:

WHEREAS, The Messenger is owned by the three Eastern Synods of the Reformed Church and is published as their educational factor in the development of the life of the Church within their bounds, therefore, we, the Board of Publication of the three Eastern Synods, respectfully overture the above-mentioned bodies to request the Classes to ascertain at their annual meetings, through questions of their presidents address-

ed to the pastor and elder of each charge, the number of subscribers to the Messenger in his charge and what is done by the representatives of the charge to increase the number.

Further action was taken by the Board as follows:

WHEREAS, The year 1903 is the 75th anniversary of the establishment of the Messenger, therefore,

Resolved, That the Synods be respectfully overtured to make special account of this fact at their coming meetings and take such measures as they may deem proper, to have this anniversary observed by the Classes and charges of their several bodies.

Resolved, That we ask each one of the three Synods who own this paper to name January 17, A. D. 1904, as Messenger Day and that they request all the ministers of these Synods to preach a sermon on that day on the subject of this publication.

Resolved, That in the event of the Synods' complying with this request the Manager of the Board be requested to notify all the pastors of these Synods of the action taken by their several Synods.

The above actions of the Board are hereby through this report submitted to the Synods for their consideration and action. May we not hope that all parties interested, Synods, Classes, pastors and consistories, may be filled with a realizing sense of the great importance of the cause represented by your Board, and take such actions and perform such works as will enhance the cause many fold in the near future.

The terms of office of C. S. Slagle and C. R. Ferner expire with the close of the present year.

Respectfully submitted,

Attest: W. RUSH GILLAN, *President*.
A. E. TRUXAL, *Secretary*.

Report of the Standing Committee on Publication.

The Standing Committee on Publication submitted its report on Monday during afternoon session, which was adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Publication offers the following report:

There was only one paper placed in our hands, viz., the report of the Board of Publication in which are a number of sug-

gestions made for our consideration. We therefore recommend the following:

1. That Synod learns with pleasure of the prosperous condition of the publication interests, and commends the wise and efficient management of the Board and its manager.

2. That we urge upon the pastors and people a fuller patronage of the book store for their own advantage and for the advantage of this department of our general church work.

3. That in view of the great good that may be accomplished by a church paper in the growth of the spiritual life of the individual that in promoting the success of the educational, missionary and other general enterprises of the Church, the Classes be and hereby are directed to take measures to place the Messenger, as nearly as possible, in every family under their jurisdiction, and that at each annual meeting of the Classes hereafter the roll of the charges be called to ascertain how many copies of the Messenger are taken in each charge and how many names have been added to the subscription list during the year, and that a record be made of the same.

4. That the Synod designates January 17, 1904, or a Lord's day near that date as Messenger Day, and that all our pastors be directed to preach upon the subject of the Messenger on that day with a view of creating a deeper interest in this important periodical among the membership of the Church.

Respectfully submitted,

A. A. BLACK,

J. J. ROTHROCK, O. C. KEIPER,

JOHN J. FISHER. LEIDY SCHEIP.

ARTICLE XX.

ORPHAN HOME AND OTHER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The 40th annual report of Bethany Orphan Home was received and referred to Standing Committee on this subject. The following additional report was received which reads as follows, to wit:

I. Bethany Orphan Home.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: By direction of the Board of Managers I herewith submit to your reverend body a copy of the 40th annual report of Bethany Orphan Home,

or the year ending July 9th, 1903. As this report was closed more than three months ago I beg leave to add the following facts:

We have at present 125 children in the Home.

At the quarterly meeting of the Board of Managers held on Thursday, October 15th, thirteen children were admitted so that our number will soon be increased to between 135 and 140.

It will be remembered that there are no boarders in Bethany Home, all our children are dependent upon the Church for support.

Our financial condition is very gratifying. The property is free from debt and we have an endowment fund from legacies received amounting to nearly \$25,000.

On current expense account there is an indebtedness of only \$171.10. From now on until Christmas we can expect very few receipts so that for three months we will have to live on credit. This has been our usual experience for many years. But year by year this annual deficit is being decreased and if the friends of the Home will continue the same liberal support which they have shown in the past we hope to be able in a few years to pay as we go from year to year without running into debt in the fall, and at the same time continue to care for all the poor children in the Church who are in need of a home.

Grateful to a kind heavenly Father for His gracious care over us during the past year and thanking all the friends for their sympathetic and helpful assistance, I am, in behalf of the Board of Managers,

Yours truly,

THOS M. YUNDT, Sec'y and Supt.

Womelsdorf, Pa., Oct. 21st, 1903.

Report of Standing Committee on Bethany Orphan Home.

The following report was received on Monday and duly adopted:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Standing Committee on Beth Orphan Home presents the following report:

The 40th annual report of the Home by the Board of Managers was placed in our hands. It is very gratifying to learn the prosperous condition of the Home. One hundred and tw

five children were cared for during the year. It is the aim of the home to prepare them for the higher duties of life, hence they are taught industrial work in the house, on the farm and in the shop. They also enjoy a school term of ten months in a year, and here are offered every opportunity of laying the foundation for a good education. Their religious training receives careful attention. At last Easter season seventeen of the orphans were received into full membership of the Church by the rite of confirmation. In view of the above facts we offer the following for your adoption:

Resolved, That the Classes and the pastors be requested to again commend the Home to the generous support of their people, and that every Sunday-school in this Synod be given an opportunity to make an offering for the support of the Home at the Christmas season or some other suitable time in the year.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER, R. M. KERN,
W. J. KERSHNER, F. A. BROWN.

II. Society for Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

A communication and a statement concerning the Society for Relief, presented in report on Overtures, was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. C. E. Schaeffer, C. H. Herbst and Elder J. H. Stein. The statement referred to reads as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: As Treasurer of "The Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States," we present for information the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same within your bounds for the year ending September 30th, 1903.

RECEIPTS.

Schuylkill Classis	\$130 00
Reading Classis	123 00
Philadelphia Classis	101 77
Tohickon Classis	94 87
Lancaster Classis	76 93
West Susquehanna Classis	70 67
Wyoming Classis	66 86
Goshenhoppen Classis	65 00

Lehigh Classis	50	00
Lebanon Classis	48	00
East Susquehanna Classis	43	00
	<u>\$87</u>	<u>00</u>

EXPENDITURES.

East Pennsylvania Classis	7 annuitants	\$33	50
Lehigh Classis	5	25	00
Lancaster Classis	4	22	50
East Susquehanna Classis	4	20	00
Philadelphia Classis	4	15	00
Wyoming Classis	3	12	50
Reading Classis	1	7	50
Tohickon Classis	1	7	50
Goshenhoppen Classis	1	6	00
Schuylkill Classis	1	5	00
	<u>30</u>	<u>\$1,545</u>	<u>00</u>

Attention is also called to the noble cause the Society represents and the increasing number of ministers and widows ministers needing financial aid, with the hope that your venerable body will make more generous provision for them.

With the prayer that the Holy Spirit may guide you in your deliberations,

I am yours fraternally,

SIMON S. MILLER, *Treasurer*,

Oct. 9, 1903.

Frederick, Md.

The officers of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States present for publication, in the Minutes of your reverend body the following statement of the financial operations of the same for the year ending September 30, 1903:

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury Oct. 4th, 1903 ..	\$4,928	23
Cash from loans paid	4,550	00
Cash from bequests	6,007	62
Cash from collections in the churches ..	2,867	87
Cash from interest on investments	2,746	33
Cash from individual gifts	367	09
Cash from Pittsburgh Synod (special) ..	275	00
Cash from Sunday-school royalty on S. S. Hymnal ..	130	00
	<u>\$21,872</u>	<u>16</u>

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for reinvestment	\$4,550	00
New investment, J. Y. Dietz legacy ..	\$5,000	00
B. Wolff, Jr., legacy	1,000	00

J. Naille, legacy	7 62	
Life membership	2,493 11	
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		8,500 73
Paid to sixty-four annuitants		3,862 15
Paid to Treasurers' salary and bond		610 00
Paid to D. S. M. Home as per order		147 29
Paid for traveling expenses		114 29
Paid for postage and stationery		23 00
Cash in treasury, Sept. 30th, 1903		4,064 70
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		\$21,872 16

ASSETS.

Invested fund	\$59,095 00
Cash in treasury, Sept. 30, 1903	4,064 70
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	\$63,159 70

The following ministers have become members during the year:

LIFE MEMBERS: Revs. Ernest W. Henschen, William Stechow, George W. Hartman, Jerome B. Henry, William Bonekemper, Carl Bank, D.D.; John P. Dieffenderfer, John M. Grether, J. Harvey Mickley, Henry S. Garner, Cyrus M. Hartzell, Isaac S. Stahr, Daniel N. Harnish, J. Grant Walter, Gustave R. Poetter, James R. Brown, John A. Danner, Abner S. Dechant, A. Emil Dahlman, D. D.; Lewis D. Steckel, David W. Ebbert, D.D.; Hiram J. Hillegass, Eugene P. Skyles, Paul H. Land, J. Lewis Fluck, William S. Adams, Melchoir Denny, James W. Meminger, D. D.; Ellis S. Hay, Lewis C. Edmonds, Albert Lobach, Dewalt S. Fouse, D. D.; John A. Mertz, J. Hamilton Smith and Ernest W. Weaver.

ANNUAL MEMBERS: Revs. J. N. Faust and William A. McClellan.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY: Rev. J. David Miller, President, Everett, Pa.; Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Vice-President, Harrisburg, Pa.; Rev. John W. Pontius, Secretary, Middletown, Md.; Rev. Simon S. Miller, Treasurer, and Solicitor, Frederick, Md.; Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., Adsessor, Frederick, Md.; Rev. H. F. Dittmar, Adsessor, Jefferson, Md.

Report on Society for Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

The Special Committee on Society of Relief presented its report on Monday afternoon, and it was adopted. It is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The papers placed into the hands of your committee consist of the Treasurer's Report and a statement from the officers of this society.

During the year \$1,545 was distributed among the annuitants within the bounds of this Synod. Of this amount only \$870.88 was contributed by the Synod during the same period. During the year thirty-five new names were added to the roll of life members and two annual members to the society.

We offer the following for your adoption:

Resolved, That this Synod rejoices in the prosperous condition of the Society, and that we commend the same to the confidence and liberality of our people and request the Classes to bring this matter to their attention.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. SCHAEFFER, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XXI.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Synod at its sessions a year ago appointed a permanent committee to report the proceedings of this body, namely the President of Synod, the Stated Clerk and the pastor loci where the sessions of Synod are held. In accordance with this appointment the following report was read and adopted. The report reads as follows, to wit:

Your permanent committee appointed at last year's session of Synod at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to make arrangements for reporting the acts and proceedings of this Synod, reports that both by corresponding with leading Philadelphia papers and by personal interview with the local associated press reporters, it did what it could to carry out the wishes of Synod.

THOS. H. LEINBACH,

JOHN PH. STEIN,

I. C. FISHER.

ARTICLE XXII.

MISCELLANEOUS

The Standing Committee on Nominations to whom were referred the several vacancies occurring on the various Boards, presented its report on Friday, which was adopted.

The Committee suggested the following nominations:

For Trustee of Synod—Revs. C. E. Creitz, Chas. E. Schaeffer.

For Trustee of Franklin and Marshall College—Revs. N. C. Schaeffer, J. B. Kerschner, Messrs. B. F. Fackenthal, John H. Landis.

Vacancies in Board of Missions—Elders Chas. G. Schaffer, W. B. Mengel, Rev. G. A. Schwedes, Rev. I. C. Fisher.

For Sunday-school Board—Dr. S. P. Heilman, Henry Kennell.

Invitations for Next Meeting of Synod—St. Stephen's, Perkaspie, Pa.; Zion's, Lehighton, Pa.; St. Luke's, Lock Haven, Pa.; Grace Church, Hazleton, Pa.; First Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

The election for Trustee of Synod was held on Monday after the noon recess. Revs. Jas. R. Bergey and J. B. Kerschner were appointed tellers. The roll was called and the ballot taken, and the result of the vote was the election of Rev. Chas. E. Creitz as Trustee of Synod.

The election of the remainder of the ticket was held during the evening session. The President appointed Revs. A. A. Black, Thomas H. Krick and Elder W. M. Robinson as tellers: The tickets were distributed, the roll was called, and the results of the vote was the election of Revs. N. C. Schaeffer and J. B. Kerschner as Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College; Elder Charles G. Schaffer and Rev. G. A. Schwedes to fill vacancies in the Board of Missions; Dr. S. P. Heilman was re-elected a member of the Sunday-school Board; St. Stephen's Church, Perkaspie, Pa., was chosen as the place where Synod will hold its next annual sessions. On motion it was resolved that Synod will hold its next annual sessions on the fourth Wednesday, namely October 26, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Perkaspie, Pa.

Members of Eastern Synod in the Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary—Revs. Samuel G. Wagner, D.D., N. C. Schaeffer, D.D., B. B. Ferer, D.D., term expires December 31, 1906; Revs. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., H. M. Kieffer, D.D., Jas. Crawford, D.D., term expires December 31, 1904.

Members of Eastern Synod in the Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary—Messrs. Geo. G. Heilman, J. S. Hess, John Hertzler, term expires December 31, 1908; Jacob H. Stein,

John D. Skiles, term expires December 31, 1906; Messrs. J. Nissley, John B. Roth, John W. Appel, term expires December 31, 1904.

Members of Eastern Synod in the Reformed Church Publication Board—H. M. Housekeeper, Jas. T. Reber, term expires December 31, 1906; John W. Bickel, term expires December 31, 1904.

Permanent Sunday-school Committee—Dr. Samuel P. Heilman, Heilmandale, Pa., term expires October 1, 1908; Mr. C. C. Leader, Shamokin, Pa., term expires October 1, 1907; Mr. F. G. Hobson, Collegeville, Pa., term expires October 1, 1906; Rev. George W. Gerhard, Hamburg, Pa., term expires October 1, 1905; Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, D.D., Allentown, Pa., term expires October 1, 1904.

Report of Committee on the Publication of the Minutes of "The Coetus."

The following report was read by the chairman of the committee to publish the minutes of the Coetus, and referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. C. B. Schneder, G. A. Schwedes and Edler G. J. P. Raub. The report is as follows:

The Committee on the Publication of the Minutes of "The Coetus" beg leave to report that they have attended to the duty assigned them and a copy of the book is herewith presented to Synod. It is a neatly printed octavo volume of 463 pages. It will be of great value in the study of the early history of our Church in this country. It is also a memorial to the faithful labors of the fathers. We have reason to believe that its publication will mark a new era in the history of the Reformed Church through the quickening it will give us. The expenses of the publication are enumerated in the accompanying statement. We recommend that the Treasurer of Synod be directed to pay whatever deficiency may arise in accordance with the terms of the agreement with the Board of Publication presented to the Synod and approved at its last annual meeting. It may be added that the amount which may be advanced by Synod to cover any deficiency will be reimbursed to its treasury in annual settlements from the sales of the volumes.

The committee appreciate the importance of completing the book by the publication of an additional volume consisting of the correspondence of the Synods in Holland with our Church

in Pennsylvania, and recommend that it be undertaken as soon as Synod in its wisdom may direct.

Very respectfully submitted,

JAMES CRAWFORD.

WILLIAM F. HINKE, JOSEPH H. DUBBS.

The following is the report of the special committee on the foregoing report to publish the minutes of the Coetus, which was presented at Monday's session and adopted. It is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHERN: Your special committee to which was referred the report of the Committee on Publishing Minutes of the Coetus, begs leave to report as follows:

We find that the committee has faithfully performed its work according to the instructions given by this Synod a year ago at a cost of \$880.35 for 1,000 copies. The published volume, a copy of which is presented this Synod along with the report, reflects great credit upon the committee, and shows with what untiring devotion its members devoted themselves to the task set before them. Very special mention is due Rev. James I. Good, D.D., and Prof. William J. Hinke. Without the munificent liberality of the former and the painstaking labors of the latter, this volume would not now be before us.

In view of the foregoing we offer the following recommendations:

1st. That this Synod hereby expresses its hearty appreciation of, and sincere thankfulness for, the faithful and efficient work of this committee.

2d. That the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to pay out of the contingent fund the expenses incurred in the publication of this volume.

3d. That the book be, and hereby is, heartily commended to all the ministers of our Church and to the laity as well.

4th. That the committee be continued with the instruction to recommend to this body future publications whenever, in their judgment, the material is available, provided, however, that the publication of the next volume shall not be undertaken

until Synod shall have been fully reimbursed for the amount expended for the publication of the present volume.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SCHNEDER, *Chairman.*

Pennsylvania Bible Society.

Rev. Jas. Morrow, D.D., Secretary of the Pennsylvania Bible Society was accorded the courtesy of Synod in presenting the greater distribution of the Scriptures not only in the English but also in the foreign languages. The thanks of Synod were tendered him for his interesting address, and a special committee was appointed to whom this special subject was referred consisting of Elder F. G. Hobson, Rev. S. L. Whitmore and Elder R. H. Kramm, who subsequently presented the following report which was adopted:

Report of Committee on Pennsylvania Bible Society.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your committee to whom was referred the claims of the Pennsylvania Bible Society respectfully report that the work of this Society as presented by its gifted Secretary, Dr. Morrow, has been carried on in our midst for ninety-five years, that during this last year the Society distributed in Pennsylvania 91,647 volumes of the Bible and Testaments. Testaments are given to all immigrants arriving at the port of Philadelphia; even the blind are supplied with Scriptures in the embossed type. The first Bible Society, the British and Foreign Bible Society, will reach its centennial on March 7, 1904. This Society as well as the Pennsylvania Society request that Sunday, March 6, 1904, be observed as Bible Sunday all over the world.

Your committee recommends the adoption of the following:

Resolved, That this Synod heartily commends the work of the Pennsylvania Bible Society and suggests that our pastors and people assist it in its most worthy object of placing the Holy Scriptures in the hands of all people.

Resolved, That we recommend that Sunday, March 6, 1904, be observed by our pastors and congregations as Bible Sunday, and that appropriate sermons be preached on the subject of

the Bible and its distribution, and that an opportunity be given our people to make a contribution to the work of the Society.

Respectfully submitted,

F. G. HOBSON, *Chairman.*

Reporters to the Press.

On the second day of the sessions the President appointed Rev. H. H. Rupp, J. M. S. Isenberg and E. F. Wiest to report the proceedings to the daily press.

At the close of the sessions the following report was presented which was adopted. The report is as follows:

DEAR BRETHREN: The committee upon whom devolved the responsibility of furnishing the news of Synod for the press begs leave to report that it tried to discharge the duties resting upon it. We realize that the responsibility is a grave one and that the best of care must be taken in order to present a true and unbiased report. This the committee tried to do to the very best of its ability. We also desire to bear testimony to the faithfulness and zeal of Mr. W. L. Brunner of the Lebanon Report, and Mr. J. H. Manbeck of the Lebanon News, and representing the press of Philadelphia, in endeavoring to furnish the public with a full and careful report of the proceedings of Synod. With one exception their "copy" was accurate, and they deserve our thanks.

Respectfully submitted,

H. H. RUPP,

E. F. WIEST, J. M. S. ISENBERG.

In connection with this report the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod directs its Press Committee to call the attention of the public press to the misstatement made in connection with the report of the action of Synod in the Kieffer appeal case last Friday, and request the public press to say that the action taken did not depose the Rev. Dr. H. M. Kieffer from the gospel ministry, but merely confirmed the action of Classis dissolving the pastoral relation.

Resolutions of Sympathy in Affliction.

Synod having heard of the critical illness of one of the members in attendance at the sessions of the body the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod has learned with profound sorrow of the affliction which has fallen upon one of our number, viz: Elder E. O. Gilbert. We deeply sympathize with our afflicted brother and his relatives, and hereby instruct our Corresponding Secretary to transmit to the family of Elder Gilbert this expression of sympathy and express our hope that he may be speedily restored to health and strength.

Addresses Delivered During Sessions of Synod.

Prof. Joseph H. Apple, President of Woman's College, Frederick, Md., delivered a brief address on the higher culture of women. Lic. Clayton Ranck presented the claims of the Mercersburg Academy in regard to proper Christian training. Rev. S. S. Miller presented the claims of the Society for Relief of Disabled Ministers upon the Church for a more liberal support. Prof. J. W. Knappenberger gave an encouraging report in regard to the condition of Allentown College for Women. Rev. A. B. Casselman addressed Synod briefly in regard to the mission work in Japan and requested the prayers of the members of Synod and the Church at large in behalf of the native evangelists at six o'clock every Saturday evening, being the hour when they enter upon their official duties in the work of the ministry. Rev. Thos. A. Yundt spoke encouragingly concerning the interests of Bethany Orphan Home, and commends the institution to the charitable consideration of the Church during the approaching Christmas festivities.

Synodical Archives.

A Program Souvenir issued by Rev. W. B. Duttera in behalf of the 31st annual sessions of Potomac Synod of Reformed Church in the United States held October 21, 1903, Salisbury, N. C. The Catalogues of Allentown College for Women, of Woman's College, Frederick, Md., and Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa., were presented to Synod and ordered to be placed in the archives.

Noting the Presence of Advisory Members.

The President at the opening of the sessions appointed Revs. R. F. Reed, C. D. Kressley and J. W. Gilds as a committee to report the presence of advisory members with their Classical

and Synodical relations. The report of the committee was received and adopted and incorporated in the Minutes of Synod.

Excuses for Leave of Absence.

On the fourth day of the sessions the President appointed Revs. O. S. Strunck, J. O. Lindaman and Elder M. R. Hoffman to hear excuses for leave of absence. At the close of the sessions the committee reported the names of such that had a valid excuse, and whose duties obliged them to leave for home before the close of the sessions.

The permissions which the committee granted were confirmed and the report was adopted.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were offered and adopted unanimously :

1. *Resolved*, That a vote of thanks be tendered the pastor and congregation of St. Mark's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa., for the hospitable manner in which they entertained the Synod, also to the choir of the congregation, and the choir of the Reformed Church at Myerstown, Pa., for the excellent music rendered at the evening services.
2. *Resolved*, That this action be transmitted to the congregation and choir by their pastor.
3. *Resolved*, That the several newspapers of this city and elsewhere be thanked for their full and prompt reports of the proceedings of Synod.
4. *Resolved*, That the Stated Clerk be instructed to extend the thanks of Synod to the General Passenger Agents of the various railroads centering in this city for courtesies granted to the members of Synod in issuing tickets at excursion rates to its delegates.
5. *Resolved*, That the sum of \$25 be paid to the Treasurer of St. Mark's congregation for the use of the church.

The business of the Synod being completed, the roll was called, the delegates present answered to the calling of their names. Those absent were excused. The Minutes of the day and evening sessions were read, and the Minutes as a whole were adopted.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ADJOURNMENT.

The following action was adopted before adjournment, namely :

Resolved, That when Synod adjourns finally, it be to meet in annual sessions October 26, 1904, at 7.30 in the evening, in St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Perkasié, Pa.

Synod adjourned finally on Monday evening at 11 o'clock, November 2, 1903, with religious services. The members of Synod, assembled in front of the chancel, joined in the confession of faith and the Lord's Prayer. The L. M. Doxology was sung and the members of Synod were dismissed with the apostolic benediction by the President.

CHAS. E. CREITZ, *President*,

JOHN PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Official copy of the original minutes.

JOHN PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

MINISTERS.

NAMES OF CLASSES OR CONGREGATIONS.

HOME OFFICE ADDRESS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CLASSES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Congregationalists.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptism.	Adult Baptism.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Excommunicated.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Un- ed.	Deaths, Un- ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Students for Minis- try.	Dissemination of Tracts.	Congregationalists.	Home Office Address.	Minutes Received.	Home Office Address.
J. Becker.	Without charge.	4	784	552	552	30	22	4	6	19	0	7	75	300	1	331 00	61400 00	Catawba, Pa.	12	Catawba, Pa.
D. P. Brengle, D.D.	Without charge.	3	676	550	550	26	32	15	7	15	8	8	75	602	1	310 00	1300 00	Bethlehem, Pa.	12	Bethlehem, Pa.
W. Smith, D.D.	Moore Township.	1	559	503	503	10	10	10	3	5	0	3	45	323	3	661 00	3500 00	Effort, Pa.	24	Effort, Pa.
H. M. Kiefer, D.D.	Pleasant Valley.	1	348	290	290	29	22	4	19	10	7	5	36	265	3	589 00	2762 00	Eaton, Pa.	14	Eaton, Pa.
Wilson F. More.	First Ch., Eaton.	1	390	490	300	24	31	35	14	18	8	9	50	416	1	790 00	4300 00	Catawba, Pa.	10	Catawba, Pa.
U. A. Schwedes.	Reform, Catawba.	1	687	505	644	34	50	8	6	23	7	3	69	416	1	200 00	1595 00	Bethlehem, Pa.	16	Bethlehem, Pa.
K. F. Laury.	Christ, Bethlehem.	3	434	368	258	39	31	11	2	0	1	1	26	220	1	208 19	1916 00	Stroudsburg, Pa.	12	Stroudsburg, Pa.
H. C. Weaver.	Broadheads.	1	1070	800	630	65	70	37	6	3	10	0	04	736	3	706 00	2100 00	Bethlehem, Pa.	10	Bethlehem, Pa.
W. H. Wetling, A.D.	Porka.	2	183	138	90	10	11	1	4	1	3	1	36	195	1	270 00	1975 00	Nazareth, Pa.	13	Nazareth, Pa.
U. J. Labarger.	Dryland.	1	376	253	163	30	13	32	7	5	10	1	25	379	1	521 00	1511 00	Perkasie, Pa.	12	Perkasie, Pa.
John F. DeLong, D.D.	Without charge.	1	870	538	175	14	31	76	1	11	3	7	59	336	1	235 00	1410 00	West Bethlehem, Pa.	12	West Bethlehem, Pa.
K. L. Kemp.	Freemansburg.	1	204	140	140	11	9	6	7	7	2	1	16	304	1	58 00	1618 00	East Stroudsburg, Pa.	15	East Stroudsburg, Pa.
J. U. Rupp.	Stenton.	2	336	280	170	14	15	26	13	10	10	1	27	444	1	178 12	1122 70	Northampton, Pa.	8	Northampton, Pa.
P. H. Moyer.	West Bethlehem.	1	264	155	145	5	16	9	5	7	0	0	26	193	1	317 06	1195 00	West Bethlehem, Pa.	6	West Bethlehem, Pa.
R. C. Blischman.	Stroudsburg.	1	227	170	134	13	6	9	2	1	1	1	24	230	1	192 52	1194 45	Stroudsburg, Pa.	10	Stroudsburg, Pa.
W. H. Broag.	Plainfield.	1	250	180	125	13	10	18	1	14	3	2	24	165	1	114 00	1600 00	Bethlehem, Pa.	10	Bethlehem, Pa.
W. U. Helfrich.	Bath.	1	411	345	190	14	21	27	8	24	0	1	09	519	1	435 00	3410 00	Bethlehem, Pa.	13	Bethlehem, Pa.
Thomas A. Huber.	Without charge.	1	266	228	122	14	1	37	2	11	1	2	35	278	1	91 00	2200 00	Eaton, Pa.	10	Eaton, Pa.
Variant.	Grace, Eaton.	2	400	350	190	35	5	5	4	17	4	4	00	374	1	269 00	1210 00	Cherryville, Pa.	18	Cherryville, Pa.
W. H. Erb.	St. Paul, Bethlehem.	1	310	218	153	10	13	21	2	2	3	1	25	296	1	206 86	7378 27	Bangor, Pa.	15	Bangor, Pa.
H. E. Bangrow.	St. Mark, Eaton.	1	378	303	163	22	9	25	3	1	4	1	17	400	1	251 00	593 00	Siegfried, Pa.	16	Siegfried, Pa.
J. W. Gilde.	Memorial, Eaton.	1	250	150	150	15	8	2	1	10	4	0	13	183	1	170 00	590 00	Wiesport, Pa.	10	Wiesport, Pa.
H. A. Franke.	Kreiderville.	2	251	73	78	12	13	31	1	3	6	1	27	197	1	81 00	1350 17	East Mauch Chunk, Pa.	10	East Mauch Chunk, Pa.
I. M. Beaver.	Bangor.	1	650	368	650	26	30	11	1	5	5	3	104	437	1	182 93	1147 00	East Mauch Chunk, Pa.	24	East Mauch Chunk, Pa.
M. N. George.	Siegfried.	2	386	340	150	22	1	3	3	10	2	2	46	400	1	280 00	1426 00	Bowmansville, Pa.	23	Bowmansville, Pa.
J. G. Dengler.	Wiesport.	1	550	425	104	32	10	4	1	14	0	5	24	95	1	150 00	1040 00	Stone Church, Pa.	12	Stone Church, Pa.
O. H. E. Ranch.	East Mauch Chunk.	1	832	200	96	5	5	10	4	14	0	2	44	300	1	336 27	339 00	Nazareth, Pa.	12	Nazareth, Pa.
C. A. Butz.	Towamensing.	4	478	263	197	6	4	17	3	5	1	1	10	110	1	43 00	366 42	Weaversville, Pa.	12	Weaversville, Pa.
H. H. Long.	Mt. Bethel.	2	164	73	5	3	2	2	1	3	0	3	10	75	1	41 00	180 00	Tannersville, Pa.	6	Tannersville, Pa.
Irwin Hock DeLong, Llc.	Farmersville.	3	86	64	25	6	2	2	1	2	2	1	10	75	1	41 00	180 00	Belola, Pa.	6	Belola, Pa.
H. J. Ehret.	Fluckerville.	1	86	64	25	6	2	2	1	2	2	1	10	75	1	41 00	180 00	Ringers, Pa.	6	Ringers, Pa.
Yasold Sebeier.	North Bethlehem.	1	200	162	40	10	1	1	1	3	2	1	22	150	1	100 00	500 00		7	
R. F. Gass.	Sehoreville, Pa.	1	31	31	50	2	4	27	1	5	1	1	12	67	1	633 25	633 25		4	
W. H. Miller, supply.	Pen Argyl.	1	30	30	40	2	2	25	1	2	2	1	13	55	1	700 00	700 00		4	
W. C. Weaver, supply.	Faith, Locust Ridge.	1	90	73	35	5	8	5	5	1	1	1	4	30	1	10 00	10 00		4	
Franklin A. Guth.	Oxford Furnace.	1	90	73	35	5	8	5	5	1	1	1	4	30	1	10 00	10 00		4	
W. F. Gass, supply.		1	90	73	35	5	8	5	5	1	1	1	4	30	1	10 00	10 00		4	
R. E. Smith, supply.		1	90	73	35	5	8	5	5	1	1	1	4	30	1	10 00	10 00		4	
J. Carlos F. Lorch, Llc.		1	90	73	35	5	8	5	5	1	1	1	4	30	1	10 00	10 00		4	
		34112506	5942	6618	636	121516	517133	11110	236	10576	1382	6896	7	67647	66	44141	125182			

LEBANON CLASSIS.

MINISTERS. NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.

POST OFFICE ADDRESSES.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.			Additions.		Losses.		Sunday-School.		Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.						
		Congregations.	Commended.	Uncommended.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of the Council of Proficiency.	Dismissed.	Expulsion of Members.	Deaths, Committed.	Deaths, Uncommitted.		Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Revenue for Purposes.	Contributions.	
John C. Leinbach	Beruville	0	145	144	83	0	18	0	40	100	45	15	4	00	500	3	\$126 22	\$15.00 00	20
Ell E. Heister	Without charge																		1
James B. Albright	Without charge																		1
James A. Schultz	Without charge																		
Adam J. Bachman	Schaefferstown	5	916	903	830	78	18	0	15	0	24	18	8	130	704		303 18	1700 00	24
Henry J. Welker	Tulpehocken	21	0400	045	206	15	13	0	0	0	0	0	4	47	328		206 00	2967 00	20
W. J. Kernber	Sinking Spring	4	156	077	122	21	03	2	23	0	47	17	5	127	023	1	567 00	2700 00	24
L. J. Stambaugh	Womelsdorf	4	503	078	210	21	34	21	14	0	11	5	4	09	503	1	204 00	1400 00	20
G. A. Leinbach	Beru	21	0700	025	416	43	0	0	10	0	25	5	5	120	430	1	018 12	1020 00	16
Thomas M. Yundt	Bethany	2	87	74	110	2	18	0	13	0	0	0	2	37	200		157 82	100 00	6
D. Ernest Kloppe, D.D.	Without charge																		1
J. V. George, D.D.	Allegheny	5	731	701	120	41	3	20	11	0	19	11	5	38	304		400 00	1300 00	26
L. Calvin Fisher	St. Mark's, Lebanon	0	001	007	174	50	52	02	7	0	17	7	4	08	947	2	684 00	4788 00	30
Henry Hilbish	Without charge																		1
Henry Hellman	Without charge																		1
W. H. Donat	Swatara	4	438	348	111	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	70	515		305 00	2735 00	22
J. Lewis Fluck	Myerstown	1	487	402	100	11	10	12	3	12	0	0	1	45	330		414 00	2344 00	10
Edward S. Bromer	Tabor, Lebanon	1	456	012	060	44	7	32	15	0	8	4	1	03	803	1	982 00	2429 00	12
H. A. Keyser, D.D.	Bethel	4	020	510	400	12	20	1	3	0	11	1	4	79	577		200 00	3100 00	16
D. K. Leuderslager	Campbeltown	2	231	103	101	5	0	0	4	0	0	1	2	52	248		367 00	9918 00	15
Wm. F. DeLong	Annyville	2	334	324	102	20	14	0	5	0	4	0	5	58	408		444 30	1265 50	12
V. W. Dippell, Ph.D.	St. John's, Lebanon	1	250	100	00	6	1	13	3	0	0	0	1	18	253		573 00	2587 00	12
H. J. Welker, supply	Grace Church, Arvon	1	146	125	54	7	5	0	0	0	0	0	1	10	231		378 00	378 00	6
B. R. Appel, supply	Charlottesville and N.H.	2	100	152	74	11	14	0	7	0	2	0	2	20	083		48 14	400 00	10
Franklin P. Miller, Lic.																			
Edwin S. Leinbach, Lic.																			
Calvin K. Blandt, Lic.																			
Edward D. Reight, Lic.																			
St. Stephen R. R. M.S.																			
Grace Reformed M.S. Church																			

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PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.			Additions.			Losses.			Sunday-School.			Contributions.		Minutes Read.	
		Communicants.		Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommended.	Deaths, Com'g.	Deaths, T'ord.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Expenses.		Congregational Expenses.
		Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.														
Jon. H. Hendricks, D.D.	Collegeville	3	425	345	7	14	21	5	0	4	...	34	452	...	\$354 00	\$1617 00	25
Edward D. Miller	St. Peter, Piqueland.	1	40	41	10	...	...	1	2	...	...	17	271	...	52 00	630 00	9
James Crawford, D.D.	Christ Ch., Phila.	1	153	150	25	...	3	8	3	0	...	17	100	...	1000 00	2010 00	12
Joeliah D. Petrich	St. Luke	1	207	178	52	11	15	2	4	...	...	24	244	...	240 00	1700 00	10
John H. Sechler, D.D.	Prof. in U. S. Theo.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Henry T. Spangler, D.D.	Pres. U. College	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Uriah Weidner	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
David N. Dittmar	F. Sec. B. H. Min.	1	550	404	20	8	21	3	0	13	4	1	50	...	3000 00	5000 00	20
Charles H. Coon, D.D.	Trinity, Phila.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jerome H. Henry	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Abram B. Stoner	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
David D. Wolf, D.D.	Boehm	1	300	245	45	8	5	7	...	6	4	1	21	...	308 00	5000 00	15
Henry F. Seiple	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Joseph F. Butler	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cyrus J. Muser, D.D.	Ed. Ref. Ch. Mos.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wm. A. Loag, Ph.D.	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Rufus C. Zartman, D.D.	Heidelberg	1	430	700	175	30	15	42	20	18	10	3	53	...	...	...	...
Henry A. Bomberger, D.D.	Vic. P. Temple Col.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
R. L. Messinger, S.T.D.	St. Luke, Trappe	1	300	230	40	7	8	15	8	1	7	4	1	27	...	...	...
Wilson Delaney	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
George H. Miller	Shenkel	1	125	79	54	2	4	4	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charles F. Wehler	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

POST OFFICE ADDRESS

PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS (Continued.)

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATION'S	Members.			Additions.			Losses.			Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.						
		Communicants.	Commended.	Uncommmended.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Re- newal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Comm'n.	Deaths, Un- derd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.		Students for Ministry	Beneficent Pur- poses.	Congregational Purposes.			
Charles B. Alsopach.....	Messiah.....	1	235	171	90	25	3	13	16	9	46	4	1	1	226	..	126 00	2334 00	12	2133 S. 13th St., Phila.	
Abner S. Dechant.....	Jak Lane.....	1	47	47	16	4	...	2	13	...	...	...	...	1	15	55	...	30 00	3279 00	12	6312 Ellwood Ave., Phila.
A. H. Hildeman, Ph.D.	St. Vincent.....	1	133	116	44	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	15	104	...	140 00	2325 00	15	Linfield, Pa.
Albert S. Bromer.....	Grace.....	1	610	540	276	20	7	14	21	9	10	7	1	1	51	683	1	973 00	15249 00	16	Philadelphia, Pa.
Morgan A. Peters.....	Bethel.....	1	63	45	40	8	...	...	...	16	6	...	1	1	8	132	...	59 00	1054 00	10	21st & Tasker Sts., Phila.
Charles H. Brandt.....	St. John.....	1	230	157	112	8	2	3	6	3	3	3	1	1	22	155	...	173 00	1502 00	12	Phoenixville, Pa.
Frederick A. Rupley, Jr.	St. Paul.....	1	250	189	94	8	7	8	5	3	1	1	1	1	18	113	...	1051 00	1699 00	8	Fort Washington, Pa.
Edward F. Wiest.....	First Ch., Phila.....	1	367	327	84	11	5	26	52	7	6	0	...	1	38	302	...	758 00	3300 00	15	1205 Wallace St., Phila.
Harry E. Jones.....	Palatinate.....	1	157	142	56	21	4	9	26	9	...	...	...	1	28	307	1	233 00	6539 00	10	5310 Master St., Phila.
Franklin H. Fisher.....	Calvary.....	1	125	100	88	4	3	12	19	16	15	2	...	1	30	224	...	100 00	2385 00	10	2617 N. 20th St., Phila.
Charles H. Slinghoff.....	Brownback.....	2	268	261	58	9	10	7	9	5	14	5	1	1	24	253	1	230 00	1405 00	16	Spring City, Pa.
Glwood W. Middleton.....	Toga.....	1	171	146	50	3	3	13	6	2	...	...	...	1	24	256	...	306 00	2399 00	14	5346 Sydenham St., Phila
Calvin D. Yost.....	Pleasantville.....	1	208	248	74	7	3	8	7	6	...	...	...	1	20	143	...	316 00	1100 00	9	Chalfont, Pa.
Samuel C. Sutt.....	St. Matthew.....	2	232	178	34	6	3	11	2	2	...	...	...	2	41	273	...	190 00	1690 00	13	Anasima, Pa.
Harry W. Bright.....	Ascension.....	1	316	255	74	7	1	5	12	4	3	...	...	1	37	250	1	3367 00	2742 00	15	Norristown, Pa.
Levonl Bates.....	Christ, Norristown.....	1	182	156	75	18	5	1	5	1	...	...	...	1	26	399	...	232 00	2093 00	10	Norristown, Pa.
J. M. S. Isenberg, B.D.	First, Spring City.....	1	410	340	74	9	10	21	13	10	...	...	...	1	40	552	...	581 00	5050 00	15	Spring City, Pa.
Thomas L. Bickel.....	St. John, Phila.....	1	325	195	164	4	...	9	39	15	...	...	...	1	22	242	...	278 00	2484 00	12	4018 Baring St., Phila.
David N. Faust.....	East Vincent.....	1	123	75	85	4	...	4	1	...	5	...	...	1	10	114	...	345 00	844 00	12	Spring City, Pa.
Stephen Vireg.....	Hungarian, Trenton.....	1	140	128	26	20	...	9	24	12	...	...	...	1	...	25	...	53 00	1147 00	17	180 Home Ave., Trenton, N.J.
Arthur C. Thompson.....	Trinity, Norristown.....	1	331	221	113	13	5	6	...	13	...	...	...	1	34	473	...	244 00	1598 00	10	Norristown, Pa.
John O. Beagle.....	Rathany Tabernacle.....	1	189	116	54	7	2	5	10	8	15	1	...	1	27	209	...	154 00	1931 00	13	9411 N. 20th St., Phila.
Robert Lee Bair.....	St. John, Delaware.....	1	55	40	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	15	71	...	7 00	215 00	10	Wyoming, Kent Co., (Ind.).
A. H. Hildeman, (supply).....	Linfield.....	1	31	20	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	...	...	1	22	111	...	31 00	452 00	12	
Vacant.....	Bang's, Phoenixville.....	1	100	90	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	273 00	6	

LANCASTER CLASSES.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.		Additions.				Losses.		Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.		Post Office Address.							
		Communicants.	Commenced.	Uncommenced.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Baptism of Proficiency.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Resignature of Name.	Deaths, Committed.	Deaths, Uncommitted.		Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Benefactor Purposes.	Congregational Purpose.	Misses Wanted.	
E. V. Gerhart, D.D., LL.D.	St. Stephen's.	1	57	55	12	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	Lancaster, Pa.
Theodore Appel, D.D.	Author																				Lancaster, Pa.
Isaac E. Graef, D.D.	Without charge																				Reading, Pa.
John M. Tittel, D.D.	First Church	1	580	405	145	10	3	20	22	5			10		1	200		575 00	4677 00	15	Lancaster, Pa.
John H. Dobbs, D.D., LL.D.	Prof. in F. & M. Coll.																				Lancaster, Pa.
Frederick A. Gast, D.D.	Prof. in Theol. Sem.																				Lancaster, Pa.
A. Carl Whitmer.	Supt. of Missions																				Lancaster, Pa.
John O. Noes.	New Holland	3	444	230	185	7	3	4	5	12			8		3	300		421 00	340 00	24	New Holland, Pa.
Barth W. Gerhard	Salem at Heller's		301	285	100	6	9	11	5	7			27		1	235		305 04	580 75	8	Lancaster, Pa.
Stephen Schweitzer	Muddy Creek	4	734	680	230	37	11	18	5	0			12		4	240		105 37	500 00	8	Elphrata, Pa.
Thibbman Derr	Salem, Rousesstown		150	128	50	6	4	6	4	1			10		1	15		100 37	730 00	8	Lancaster, Pa.
Ellis N. Kremer, D.D.	Salem		483	326	131	10	4	13	2	8			14		1	40		1264 00	2623 00	20	Harrisburg, Pa.
Milton H. Sangree	Fourth Church	1	102	140	109	14	5	11	7	5			2		1	23		223 34	1037 39	10	Harrisburg, Pa.
John S. Stahl, Ph.D., D.D.	Pres. F. & M. Coll.																				Lancaster, Pa.
John M. Souder.	Without charge																				Lancaster, Pa.
J. H. Pannebecker, D.D.	Columbia	2	423	284	17	14	6	17	0	11			3		3	40		350 00	2575 00	30	Columbia, Pa.
Wm. F. Liebler.	St. Luke's	1	240	190	320	30	7	24	1	4			12		1	41		307 44	1217 07	13	Lancaster, Pa.
Jairus P. Moore, D.D.	Miss. to Japan																				Tokio, Japan.
Thomas S. Land.	Zion's	1	173	107	27	6	2	4	2	1			3		1	153		303 90	891 97	9	Millersville, Pa.
Newton J. Miller	Disabled																				Lancaster, Pa.
David B. Schneider, D.D.	Miss. to Japan																				Sendal, Japan.
Jairus A. Wicket.	Remmstown	4	416	349	201	3	1	1	2	1			3		4	91		387 28	1075 00	30	Remmstown, Pa.
Theodore O. DeLyre.	Without charge																				Lancaster, Pa.
James W. Meminger, D.D.	St. Paul's	1	625	530	350	12	14	20	20	7			8		1	73		900 00	2400 00	16	Lancaster, Pa.
George F. Mull.	Prof. in F. & M. Coll.																				Lancaster, Pa.
Richard C. Schiedt, Ph.D.	Prof. in F. & M. Coll.																				Lancaster, Pa.
B. H. Dietzel, Ph.D.	Maytown	1	105	86	53	6	1	6	1	3			3		1	22		155 36	944 00	10	Maytown, Pa.
Benjamin W. Meyer.	Christ	1	238	181	67	3	6	13	2	1			3		1	34		179 59	5599 25	12	Millersville, Pa.

LANCASTER CLASSIS (Continued.)

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.			Additions.			Losses.			Sunday-Schools.			Contributions.			Minutes Wanted.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	
		Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificates or Removal of Town.	Discontinued.	Recommenced.	Deaths, Comm.	Deaths, Unrec'd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Purpose.			Congregational Purpose.
Harry N. Rasmussen	22d Church	11	264	185	147	0	1	1	12	5	3	5	1	37	267	213 08	2248 05	20	Harrisburg, Pa.
William Terner	Zion's	1	205	185	75	11	1	13	1	1	1	1	1	18	167	...	1000 00	8	Marion, Pa.
Frederick C. Hall	Rehoboth	2	203	160	53	7	1	7	7	1	1	1	1	33	257	...	900 00	10	Ephrata, Pa.
J. Rauch Stein	St. John's	1	147	115	106	10	6	12	23	2	2	2	2	34	218	129 84	2118 52	15	Harrisburg, Pa.
Isaac G. Glass	Faith	1	108	135	90	24	8	25	10	1	3	21	14	43	358	97 20	1252 23	14	Lancaster, Pa.
J. Hunter Watts	St. Andrew's	1	180	127	33	8	7	21	20	5	8	21	1	36	300	112 40	1678 05	8	Lancaster, Pa.
Albert O. Bartholomew	Manheim	2	205	235	85	0	1	1	...	5	19	2	2	32	287	143 00	1121 00	16	Manheim, Pa.
Hermann B. Shelley	Willow Street	2	132	115	32	5	2	2	4	...	5	1	1	20	203	219 97	887 00	15	Willow Street, Pa.
Robert F. Reed	Zwingli	1	83	57	37	4	...	5	5	...	5	1	1	10	78	70 72	823 47	7	Harrisburg, Pa.
Allen K. Faust	Miss. to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sendal, Japan.
John P. Dieffenberger	Hummelstown	2	191	140	107	9	1	1	...	...	5	2	2	20	183	381 00	1050 00	20	Hummelstown, Pa.
Albert N. Stubblebine	St. Paul's	1	157	115	...	18	10	11	3	3	3	1	1	10	130	136 00	2485 00	5	Quarryville, Pa.
Henry B. Kreider	Sheep's	3	183	156	74	2	2	2	2	1	14	1	1	42	305	142 90	1169 00	15	Pennsboro, Pa.
Wm. Stuart Cramer	First Church, Asst.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Paul J. Dandore	Armstrong Valley	0	225	100	152	38	7	24	...	3	...	16	6	4	135	102 97	744 48	20	Fishersville, Pa.
Committee of Supply	Steelton	1	155	23	114	7	3	7	...	8	...	3	1	1	131	115 00	1020 00	15	Steelton, Pa.
Committee of Supply	New Providence	1	152	120	57	2	6	8	...	2	...	5	1	1	100	120 00	800 00	7	New Providence, Pa.
Committee of Supply	Kiesel Hill	1	25	25	15	2	0	0	10	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	88 00	6	Kiesel Hill, Pa.
Lie. J. B. Kieffer, Ph.D.	Prof. in F.A.M. Coll.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Lie. Anselm V. Blester	Prof. in F.A.M. Coll.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Lie. Thaddeus G. Helm	Prof. in F.A.M. Acad.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Lie. Chas. W. B. Long	Miss. to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sendal, Japan.
Lie. Paul C. Gerhard	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sendal, Japan.
Lie. Kihatsu Yoshida	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Sendal, Japan.
73	8038	5023	3178	331	137	828	288	104	119	120	77	48	688	87436 99	871543 86	401			

*Place of Residence of Pastor.
 Ordained Ministers, 43.
 Pastoral charges, 31
 Lancaster Pa., Oct. 16, 1902. Carefully corrected to date.
 D. W. GERHARD, Stated Clerk.

EAST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.
 NAMES OF
 CHURCHES OR
 CONGREGATIONS.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR CONGREGATIONS.			Members.		Additions.		Losses.			Sunday-School.		Contributions.		Minutes Read.						
	Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Transfer.	Dismissed.	Transferred.	Resure of Rm.	Deaths, (Cont'd).	Deaths, (Pre'd).	Number of Officers and Teachers.		Benefactor Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.				
	Aaron R. Hottenstein	Mahanoy	5	404	371	185	43	29	6	5	10	4	4	7	45	196	22	\$270 61	\$250 56	25 Mahanoy, Pa.	
	Alman P. Brown	Uniontown	4	440	374	350	43	20	1	5	11	7	7	7	...	...	...	316 64	200 00	15 Uniontown
	John H. Schlapich	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Chas. B. Schneider	Shamokin	1	1014	718	780	116	41	15	19	14	11	30	2	91	1152	...	1331 00	2224 00	25 Shamokin, Pa.	
	Lewis D. Stoeckel	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Isaac M. Schaeffer	Ashland	1	521	448	448	32	1	10	15	...	...	...	1	29	305	1	513 00	3112 00	15 Ashland, Pa.
	Oliver F. Schaeffer	Deep Creek	6	338	298	174	23	15	...	...	...	...	...	6	60	385	...	236 72	1059 00	20 Hegins, Pa.
	Lanlon M. Fetterolf	T. Cy & Lykens	2	207	172	230	36	38	16	2	10	7	5	2	44	220	...	180 25	957 57	12 Lykens, Pa.	
	Jonathan W. Beck	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Geo. S. Butz	Paxinos-Ang.	6	308	330	209	16	29	9	4	31	8	5	4	40	270	...	225 14	1213 10	25 Paxinos, Pa.	
	Clement D. Krenzel	Line Mountain	7	446	355	337	75	14	24	4	...	...	...	9	45	450	...	200 00	1000 00	60 Leck Kill, Pa.
	Montgomery M. Fryer	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	Albert Gomer	Mt. Carmel	1	200	145	133	23	21	28	3	20	5	5	1	25	309	...	71 92	1144 00	9 Mt. Carmel, Pa.	
	Robert O'Boyle	Sunbury	1	391	330	285	10	12	12	4	...	...	...	5	38	300	...	470 00	2050 00	12 Sunbury, Pa.
	A. Tice, O. Apple	Catawissa	1	132	101	112	9	8	7	4	9	1	...	1	17	140	...	306 33	1402 52	12 Catawissa, Pa.	
	Saml. H. Isenberg, 1 st	Without charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
	J. Alvin Bebel	Malvern	3	165	114	62	7	6	...	11	...	2	...	1	9	65	...	65 81	439 00	12 Malvern, Pa.	
	George W. Koyer	Ringtown	3	400	340	260	48	39	5	17	15	9	0	4	45	341	...	315 00	905 00	12 Ringtown, Pa.	
	Irwin M. Bachman	Nimble	2	405	310	200	16	26	2	...	...	12	...	2	33	379	...	313 00	1390 00	27 Newlin, Pa.
	A. Zimmerman, S. T. D.	Lykens Valley	4	506	412	364	38	36	6	8	...	8	8	4	56	492	...	427 48	1052 00	18 Elizabethtown, Pa.	
	Geo. G. Greenwald	Millersburg	3	371	251	210	9	2	3	2	...	3	1	5	51	324	...	184 53	1287 24	18 Millersburg, Pa.	
	Hearty Ellish	McAdoo	2	115	51	50	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	2	11	70	...	12 08	37 00	20 McAdoo, Pa.
	A. Gomer, supply	Hope Congregat'ion	1	18	16	21	4	...	...	...	2	...	1	1	10	45	...	4 00	60 00	2 Mt. Carmel, Pa.
	A. Gomer	...	63	6488	6144	4425	556	101	305	153	161	1130	108	96	52	65	554	81	65391 46	320342 99	...

These losses was continued as supply for the Hope Congregation. Received, July 28, 1908.
 I hereby certify that these statistics are carefully and officially prepared.

A. T. G. APPLE, Stated Clerk.

WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.
CHARGES OR
CONGREGATIONS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.			Additions.			Losses.			Sunday- School.			Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.
		Congregational.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Certificate of Re- newal of Prof'n	Dismissed.	Recommenced.	Resure of Name	Deaths, Com'ts	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.			Beneficent Pur- poses.	Congregational Purposes.
D. M. Wolf, D.D.	Prin. S. M. Aey.	5	402	441	396	18	19	8	14	5	32	435	\$350 00	\$1000 00	5	Spring Mills, Pa.	
W. W. Closser	Without charge	4	438	360	230	24	18	13	10	2	32	220	330 00	8300 00	20	White Deer, Pa.	
W. A. Haas	Sellingsburg	1	284	240	108	2	12	6	6	1	23	195	270 00	2500 00	12	Sellingsburg, Pa.	
A. A. Black	Williamsport	5	532	493	230	54	20	71	10	20	84	670	435 00	1406 90	26	Williamsport, Pa.	
James M. Runkle	Beaver Springs	5	392	202	254	0	19	10	1	8	71	253	517 79	1340 84	22	Beaver Springs, Pa.	
F. E. Spahn	Nittany Valley	5	430	308	210	20	13	5	2	10	84	445	838 54	898 57	24	Habersburg, Pa.	
George W. Kershner	Rebersburg	1	350	300	150	6	15	7	5	5	26	200	480 00	1877 00	12	Rebersburg, Pa.	
Henry I. Crow	Milminburg	1	248	220	75	5	10	5	17	6	26	242	275 00	9500 00	10	Milminburg, Pa.	
W. G. Roy	Lewisburg	7	267	229	243	21	17	5	9	0	101	417	90 00	450 00	26	Lewisburg, Pa.	
W. E. Wetzel	Liverpool	3	260	229	142	14	4	13	1	5	32	246	706 00	3064 00	20	Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.	
Frank Otis Seward, Pa. D.	Bellefonte	1	268	205	150	4	5	3	1	3	37	247	105 50	6120 00	16	Bellefonte, Pa.	
K. L. Gerhart, D.D.	Lock Haven	3	188	121	70	10	10	5	1	4	13	145	58 25	411 89	17	Lock Haven, Pa.	
R. L. Schaeffer	Buffalo Valley	1	87	80	47	12	2	74	1	1	13	129	81 01	325 00	10	Laurelton, Pa.	
Dwight M. Schmidt	Trinity Lutheran	2	124	74	52	8	21	8	1	1	38	129	314 83	978 26	19	Lewistown, Pa.	
Andrew J. Johnson	Susquehanna	4	302	269	110	7	11	6	52	6	51	297	361 00	1241 10	27	Montgomery, Pa.	
Warren J. Johnson	White Deer	5	835	285	243	8	1	12	14	5	96	350	240 78	758 83	26	West Milton, Pa.	
J. W. T. Rhodes	Aronsburg	5	443	354	220	31	10	17	7	3	47	339	619 00	1000 00	26	Aronsburg, Pa.	
Edwin M. Bean	New Berlin	4	5752	4084	2224	278	222	108	1124	112	40	58	522	\$6904 15	\$40837 36	26	New Berlin, Pa.
Joseph M. Noll	Centre Hall	4	5752	4084	2224	278	222	108	1124	112	40	58	522	\$6904 15	\$40837 36	26	Centre Hall, Pa.
Samuel G. Noll		4	5752	4084	2224	278	222	108	1124	112	40	58	522	\$6904 15	\$40837 36	26	

W. A. HAAS, Stated Clerk.

TOHICKON CLASSIS.

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I hereby certify that these statistics are carefully and officially prepared.
J. A. Karl A. Stein received Aug. 4, 1908.

M. Z. SA'IDEL, Stated Clerk.

GOOSHENHOPPEN CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.		Additions.		Losses.				Sunday-Schools.	Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.				
		Communicants.	Uncommunicated.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Re-Entry of Prof'n.	Discontinued.	Resignation of Members.		Deaths, Civil.	Deaths, Uncl.		Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	General Fund Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
L. H. Evans, D.D.	Trinity, Pottstown.	11	738	615	320	40	6	50	20	12	20	11	2	61	730	1	Pottstown, Pa.
M. A. Huber	Without charge.	2	413	405	95	15			8	15	13	4	2	51	324	18	Philadelphia, Pa.
Vacant	West's																Cedar, Pa.
Wm. Keller, D.D.	Without charge.	4	781	671	337	61		26	4	2	23	0	3	64	220	1	Allenstown, Pa.
Isaac A. Stahr	Oley	1	484	352	230	35		15	8	2	4	0	1	38	284	10	Oley, Pa.
Charles S. Wieland	Zion's, Pottstown	1	450	292	320	12		18	3	6	8	0	1	50	351	1	Pottstown, Pa.
J. E. Freeman	Boyerstown	1	180	120	100			21	6	2	5	1	1	11	60	0	Boyerstown, Pa.
J. E. Freeman, supply	Messiah's Cong.	3	690	487	346	24		31	6	6	12	3	4	104	767	24	Boyerstown, Pa.
J. Lucian Bush	Old Gooshenhoppen	1	218	170	150	8		12		11	4	2	1	38	184	1	Pennsburg, Pa.
J. L. Housh, supply	Keeler's Cong.	3	541	462	157	20		18	20	12	11	3	8	34	344	1	Pennsburg, Pa.
George W. Roth	Swamp-Amity	3	483	331	208	11		11	6	2	1	2	40	200		Boyerstown, Pa.	
George B. Walbert	Without charge.	2	482	321	208	11		11	6	2	1	2	40	200		Boyerstown, Pa.	
William B. Werner	Schwenksville	2	539	458	329	30		7	2	0	10	0	2	34	324	18	Richwood, Pa.
Thos. H. Leinbach	Gt. Swamp-Cht Hl	1	185	151	106	4		11	0	3	4	1	1	20	234	10	Richwood, Pa.
Edwin W. Lentz	Boyerstown	3	780	637	427	37		32	3	5	17	7	3	75	420	24	Old Zionville, Pa.
R. R. Frantz	Zionville	1	143	140	100	5		40	2	2	2	2	1	10	140	10	Old Zionville, Pa.
O. R. Frantz, supply	Christ (Huber's) Con.	1	848	680	300	80		1	4	0	11	0	1	51	411	10	East Greenville, Pa.
Vacant	New Gooshenhoppen																Philadelphia, Pa.
J. F. Dechant, Lic.																	East Greenville, Pa.
M. M. DeLong, Lic.																	East Greenville, Pa.
Ministers, 14.	Licentiate, 2	37	7401	6090	3863	328	18	292	100	83	23	150	63	20	604	3	85971 00

*Discontinued to the Classis of Philadelphia, at Annual Meeting, May 19, 1908.

†Received at Annual Meeting, May 30, 1908, from Classis of Lehigh. Ordained and installed as pastor of New Gooshenhoppen charge, May 31, 1908.

*Died, June 13, 1908.

Official copy from the original report.

C. A. WILKINS, Stated Clerk.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

MINISTERS CHURCHES & CONGREGATIONS

POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

	Retired	Disabled	Blind	Infant Baptism	Adult Baptism	Confirmed	Certificate of Re- newal of Prof's	Disseminated	Exposure of Names	Deaths, Com'ns	Deaths, Tar'd	Number of Officers and Teachers	Scholars	Students for Mi-	Beneficial Pur- poses.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Wanted		
A. J. Herman...	4	1000	988	400	15	43	2	6	15	25	8	6	41	380	1	3490 00	83000 00	Maxetown Pa.	
Abner Bartholomew...	1	1004	500	222	20	10	5	18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5210 00	20	Lehigh, Pa.
M. J. Fugel, D.D.	4	800	370	30	...	25	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Pogreenville, Pa.
N. O. Wagner, D.D.	4	1000	950	300	50	12	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	4000 00	10	Allentown, Pa.
N. C. Schaeffer, Ph.D.	1	640	420	300	44	34	20	10	20	8	7	1	38	438	...	1900 00	20	Stirlington, Pa.	
N. N. Bachman...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Reading, Pa.
N. W. Helfried...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
N. F. Peters...	4	745	686	300	51	38	7	6	20	17	12	4	52	690	...	1575 00	35	Lancaster, Pa.	
J. C. J. Kurts...	9	928	766	410	32	35	36	10	23	22	10	1	46	742	...	3400 00	35	Fleetwood, Pa.	
H. D. Kurts...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Lancaster, Pa.
Ernest Wagner...	4	976	674	426	30	62	4	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
Geo. H. Breninger...	3	410	345	190	10	32	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	570 00	17	Kutztown, Pa.
Thos. N. Heber...	2	435	345	230	14	17	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1530 00	14	Sittler, Pa.
Elmer H. Leimbach...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Kutztown, Pa.
J. J. Rohrbach...	1	112	70	37	5	2	19	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
U. E. Schoedler, D.D.	1	700	460	450	32	8	4	10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	14906 00	12	Lehigh, Pa.
David A. Winter...	1	353	300	170	35	1	9	3	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1120 00	10	Lansford, Pa.
E. J. Laros...	3	800	625	375	65	3	32	31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
A. E. Bartholomew, D.D.	1	625	483	175	37	1	46	110	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
J. P. Bachman...	3	693	772	490	84	2	18	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Siegfried, Pa.
Robert M. Kern...	4	615	510	395	36	...	30	9	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Virginville, Pa.
George P. Stem...	1	188	103	150	2	...	11	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
J. B. Bartholomew...	1	510	385	275	46	1	42	50	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
Scott R. Wagner...	3	730	600	575	71	1	63	206	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
H. L. Fogelman...	3	405	372	190	10	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Coplay, Pa.
Thomas H. Krick...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Hamburg, Pa.
R. S. Apple...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
Wm. H. Herbert...	4	330	267	188	19	...	13	4	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Beata, Pa.
U. B. Wehr...	1	170	140	...	4	...	26	148	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Wesleyburg, Pa.
James U. Oswald...	1	140	105	85	11	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
E. E. Krage...	1	1481	1287	1100	50	2	56	90	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Summit Hill, Pa.
Calvin Hernus...	1	243	280	190	16	...	5	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Allentown, Pa.
T. F. Hernus...	2	385	295	190	24	...	6	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Marungie, Pa.
Simon Stipple...	2	233	175	150	13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
T. N. Reiter supply...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
August Placitor...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Stadt's, Pa.
Thos. E. Schast, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Baltimore, Md.
Morris G. Seiple, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	Kutztown, Pa.
Wm. A. C. Eothermal, Lic.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Prof. ...	64	10800	12300	6710	893	20	728	870	305	169	82	1053	14176	19	313478	00	871212	00	428

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MINISTERS. CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS

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MINISTERS. CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS	Congregations	Members.		Additions.		Losses.		Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.				
		Communicants	Uncommunicated.	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Discontinued.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Com'ns	Deaths, Un'ed.		Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
Henry Lebes	Wilbent charge	1	340	251	170	38	27	10	14	10	7	3	1	\$138 00	\$998 00	Orwigsburg, Pa.
J. J. Fisher	Trinity, Tamaqua	4	736	553	414	45	11	2	19	2	16	4	3	551 00	1628 00	Tamaqua, Pa.
W. H. Strunk	New Jerusalem	1	404	355	189	19	24	8	3	14	6	5	1	445 00	2000 00	Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
O. B. Bartholomew	St. John's, Schl H'n	1	277	125	150	13	16	9	1	24	8	2	1	170 00	1117 00	Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
C. Thomas J. Bower	St. Mark's, Cresona	1	95	88	94	25	22	1	9	2	2	4	1	68 00	911 00	Cresona, Pa.
Thomas J. Bower	St. Peter's, Frackville	1	358	271	20	20	22	1	9	2	2	4	1	262 00	2000 00	Frackville, Pa.
Wm. D. Stoyer	Bethany	8	365	261	235	19	31	11	8	4	4	5	3	329 00	1651 00	Auburn, Pa.
Wm. W. Hartman	Orwigsburg	2	447	219	297	22	30	18	7	6	2	1	2	207 00	1869 00	Orwigsburg, Pa.
Georgi A. Yearick	Trinity, Shenandoah	1	531	370	395	25	23	20	5	2	6	1	1	409 00	3270 00	Shenandoah, Pa.
Samuel L. Whitmore	Trinity, Pottsville	1	237	150	175	21	6	25	2	16	4	12	1	107 00	1550 00	No. 5 N 6th St., Pottsville.
Sam F. Dreisbach, Ph.D.	First Church, Pottsv.	2	390	220	27	27	18	24	1	7	6	1	2	215 00	1550 00	Pottsville, Pa.
Albert Lobach	St. John's, Tamaqua	1	891	613	534	40	40	8	7	5	9	3	1	619 00	1670 00	Tamaqua, Pa.
A. G. Kerchner	St. Paul's, Mahanoy	1	394	238	214	30	45	8	6	10	8	2	4	175 00	1014 00	Mahanoy City, Pa.
James O. Strock	Tremont	4	170	128	90	18	8	8	5	10	3	3	4	49 00	170 00	Tremont, Pa.
J. J. Fisher, supply	Christ	1	306	228	26	2	8	1	1	1	1	1	1	10 00	75 00	Tamaqua, Pa.
J. J. Fisher, supply	St. Peter's	1	48	22	20	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17 00	70 00	Tamaqua, Pa.
J. J. Fisher, supply	Zion's	1	32	21	17	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5 00	70 00	Frackville, Pa.
J. J. Bower, supply	St. Luke's, N Castle	1	93	60	60	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	13 00	2235 00	St. Clair, Pa.
vacant	St. John's, St. Clair	1	50	31	40	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	21 00	150 00	St. Clair, Pa.
W. Garbard, supply	St. John's, Pt. Clinton	1	125	118	120	6	8	3	4	37	2	1	1	70 00	800 00	Minersville, Pa.
T. Beckman	Emanuel, Minersville	1	404	278	231	5	5	5	1	2	2	1	1	58 00	1345 00	Minersville, Pa.
W. Sidney Kehler	Pinegrove	3	6502	4477	3800	394	19	309	159	96	87	59	35	\$2685 00	\$2685 00	Pinegrove, Pa.

S. L. WHITMORE, Pres.

WM. D. STOYER, Stated Clerk.

RETURNING CLASSES.

MINISTERS. NAMES OF CHURCHES OR CONGREGATIONS.

PRINT OFFICE ADDRESS.

MINISTERS.	NAMES OF CHURCHES OR CONGREGATIONS.	CONGREGATIONS.										Communi- cations.		Confirmed.		Credited or Re- newal of Prof'n.		(Married.)		Recommen- dation of Name		Health, (Com- m.)		Deaths, (Cred.)		Number of Officers and Teachers.		Scholars.		Students for Ministry		Benevolent Fur- pooses.		Congregational Purposes.		Minutes Wanted.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																		
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Submitted to West Susquehanna Glanville.
I hereby certify that these statistics are carefully and officially prepared.

O. H. HERBERT, Stated Clerk.

Total Statistical Summary for Eight Synods for the Year A. D., 1903.

NAMES OF CLASSES.

NAME OF CLASS.	Members.			Additions.			Losses.			S. Schools.			Contributions.									
	No. of Churches.	No. of Ministers.	No. of Congregations.	Communicants.	Continued.	Uncontinued.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certs. or Renew.	Discontinued.	Recomm. of Name.	Deaths Comm.	Deaths Uncomm.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	General Purpose.	Congregational Purpose.	Minutes of Synod Wanted.	
Eastern Synod.	12	324	546	107,777	4,637	56,243	5,660	5,455	49,110	85,261	1,891	2	1,887	18,701	659	61	11,244	91,688	71	113,371 00	580,539 00	3,026
Ohio Synod.	5	90	156	10,900	165,30	10,853	1,018	136	845	857	583	..	437	251	108	144	1,862	13,854	9	33,751 00	137,799 00	..
Synod of N. West.	0	140	234	28,533	20,912	6,493	764	448	11,115	11,30	802	1	796	356	84	221	3,378	24,462	25	35,544 00	143,923 00	..
Pennsylv. Synod	12	175	225	23,148	16,905	14,769	1,689	34	12,118	815	318	3	519	341	189	270	1,444	12,945	24	20,845 00	106,488 00	..
German Synod of East	8	177	307	40,688	33,096	20,411	1,724	304	15,971	11,16	941	..	445	613	311	274	4,176	32,292	32	42,847 00	232,414 00	..
Central Synod.	4	87	55	14,919	12,086	10,484	1,835	35	789	788	121	6	1,852	283	176	58	1,124	11,604	5	10,256 00	113,741 00	..
Synod of Interior.	5	108	121	23,021	16,904	11,684	1,250	95	998	770	225	2	645	310	160	105	1,601	13,374	16	18,905 00	123,226 00	..
Western Synod—Licensates, 20.	5	53	65	23,335	25,58	12,77	1,04	97	157	204	111	..	135	54	8	62	952	4,127	5	7,386 00	38,587 00	..

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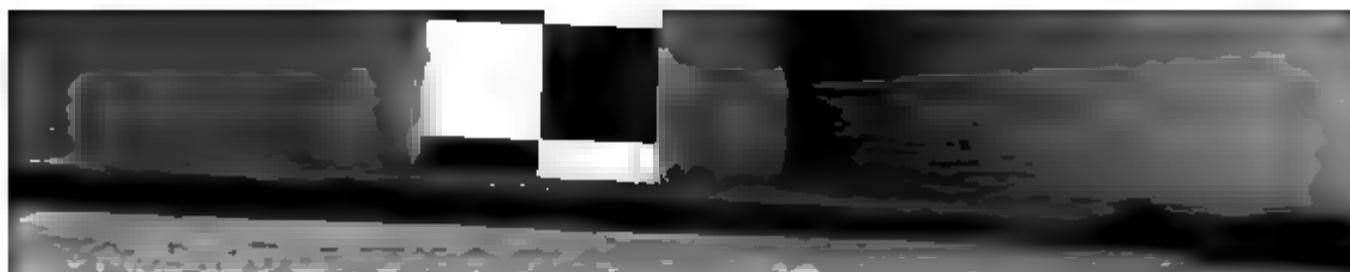
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SPECIAL SESSION
OF
Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church
HELD JUNE 14, 1904, AT READING, PA.

Agreeably to a call issued, a special meeting of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States was held June 14th, A. D. 1904, at 8 p. m., in the First Reformed church, Reading, Pa.

ARTICLE I.
OPENING OF SYNOD.

At the appointed hour, the session of Synod was opened with religious services conducted by the Rev. Drs. R. Leighton Gerhart and Ellis N. Kremer.

The opening sermon was preached by the stated clerk of Synod, Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, from the text recorded in St. John ix. 4: "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day: the night cometh in which no man can work."

After the delivery of the sermon, the business session of Synod was opened with prayer by the president.

The roll of delegates was called and a quorum was present.

ARTICLE II.
MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers—G. A. Schwedes, Jno. F. DeLong, D. D., W. H. Wotring, J. W. Gilds, I. M. Beaver.

Elders—S. J. Weaver, T. J. Kichline, Henry Kern.

2. Lebanon Classis.

Ministers—W. J. Kershner, Wm. F. DeLong, L. D. Stambaugh, Thos. C. Leinbach.

Elders—E. O. Gilbert, W. M. Leinbach, F. L. Miller.

3. Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers—Jno. H. Sechler, D. D., E. W. Middleton, R. C. Zartman, D. D., F. A. Rupley, E. F. Wiest, I. M. S. Isenber, A. S. Bromer, C. H. Coon, D. D.

Elders—Henry Spies, Abraham Schwenk, Jas. McIntire, A. B. Scheffey.

4. Lancaster Classis.

Ministers—E. N. Kremer, D. D., J. Hunter Watts, Robert Reed, Thos. S. Land, John G. Noss, D. W. Gerhard, D. D., A. C. Whitmer, J. A. Wickert.

Elders—Jno. J. Nissley, Jno. B. Kieffer, Jno. H. Landis, E. B. Smith, Geo. A. Hollinger, Benj. F. Moyer.

5. East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—I. M. Schaeffer, C. D. Kressley, L. M. Fetterolf, C. B. Schneder.

Elders—F. P. Delbaugh, A. M. Keim.

6. West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—A. A. Black, R. L. Gerhart, D. D., K. Otis Spessard.

Elders—Jared Harper, Geo. K. Wagner.

7. Tohickon Classis.

Ministers—J. J. Rothrock, N. Z. Snyder, D. D., Jas. R. Bergey, J. O. Lindaman.

Elders—L. W. Weirbach, Leidy Scheip, J. T. Hertzog.

8. Goshenhoppen Classis.

Ministers—L. K. Evans, D. D., Lucian Roush, Chas. S. Wieand.

Elders—Dr. Henry Bobb, Jesse W. Evans.

9. Lehigh Classis.

Ministers—Thos. J. Hacker, D. D., Theo. F. Herman, Rob't M. Kern, D. A. Winter, Geo. P. Stem, Thos. H. Krick, Jas. O. Oswald, H. L. Fogelman, S. R. Wagner.

Elders—Joseph D. Schreiber, Rob't Rupp, R. H. Kramm.

10. Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers—O. H. Strunck, Sam'l L. Whitmore, D. D., G. W. Hartman.

Elders—Justus Sherer, F. A. Brown.

11. Wyoming Classis.

Ministers—J. B. Kerschner, S. E. Stofflet, Abram Houtz, C. H. Herbst, A. M. Massenheimer.

Elders—W. J. Balliet, A. M. DeWitt, J. Sweisfort, C. J. Shaffer, Alem Mauser.

12. Reading Classis.

Ministers—Chas. E. Creitz, Chas. E. Schaeffer, Jno. Ph. Stein, D. D., Sam'l R. Bridenbaugh, D. D.

Elders—Jacob H. Stein, R. M. Hoffman, J. S. Wise.

Rev. Scott R. Wagner, *secundus* of Lehigh Classis, occupied the seat of Rev. Theo. F. Herman during his absence.

Rev. H. L. Fogelman, *secundus* of Lehigh Classis, occupied the seat of Rev. D. A. Winter, who was excused from further attendance.

Advisory Members.

Reading Classis—Revs. B. Bausman, D. D., Jno. W. Steinmetz, D. D., Jas. R. Brown, Thos. H. Leinbach, Jas. I. Good, D. D., H. Y. Stoner, Geo. W. Gerhard, D. E. Schaeffer, Wm. E. Harr, J. F. Moyer, Rufus W. Miller, D. D., Thos. W. Dickert, H. Jerome Leinbach, H. H. Ranck.

Lebanon Classis—Revs. I. Calvin Fisher, D. E. Klopp, D. D., Frank S. Bromer, S. A. Leinbach, D. B. Albright, Thos. M. Yundt, Edwin B. Leinbach, *lic.*, Edw. D. Bright.

Lancaster Classis—Revs. Stephen Schweitzer, D. G. Glass, A. V. Heister, Isaac E. Graeff.

Philadelphia Classis—Revs. Benoni Bates, H. T. Spangler, D. D., Geo. H. Miller, Abner S. Dechant.

Goshenhoppen Classis—Revs. I. S. Stahr, J. E. Freeman, D. K. Laudenslager.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Revs. H. H. Rupp, M. N. George.

Schuylkill Classis—Rev. W. T. Buchanan.

Lehigh Classis—Revs. Scott R. Wagner, F. H. Ruloff, Thos. N. Reber.

Wyoming Classis—Rev. Wm. D. Happel.

East Susquehanna Classis—Rev. Henry Hilbish.

Tohickon Classis—*Lic.* Edwin M. Hartman.

Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod—Rev. G. L. Quwake.

German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of East—Revs.
C. H. Gramm, L. K. Derr, D. D.

From Other Denominations.

Rev. C. S. Haman, of Trinity U. E. church, Reading, Pa.
Rev. E. H. Kistler, of First U. E. church, Reading, Pa.
Rev. C. L. Oswald, of Grace U. E. church, Reading, Pa.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS.

President—Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, Reading, Pa.
Corresponding Secretary—Rev. Fred. A. Rupley, Ft. Washington, Pa.
Stated Clerk—Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D. D., Reading, Pa.
Treasurer—Elder Sam'l M. Gingrich, Swatara Station, Pa.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The reading of the Rules of Order was dispensed with.
The Bar of the House was defined to extend from the chancel to the tenth pew inclusive.
The business sessions were opened at 9 a. m. and closed at 5 p. m., with a recess from 12 m. to 2 p. m.

A CALL FOR SPECIAL MEETING.

Notification from Members of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., May, 1904, as to the Necessity of Special Meeting of Eastern Synod.

REV. CHARLES E. CREITZ, President of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Dear Brother: In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of the Reformed Church in the United States, we, the undersigned ministers and elders of the Eastern Synod request you to call a meeting of the said Synod to be held (at such place as you may select) on Tuesday, June 14th, at eight (8) o'clock p. m., to take action upon the following items of business:

1. To consider the propriety of relieving Rev. Dr. E. V.

Gerhart of the work now devolving upon him and to make suitable provision for him during his natural life.

2. To fill the chair of Systematic Theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., by the election of a successor to Rev. Dr. E. V. Gerhart.

3. To receive and act upon such report as may be made by the Pittsburg Synod of its action relative to the election of a successor to Rev. Wm. Rupp, D. D., late professor of practical theology in the said Theological Seminary.

4. To receive and act upon such report as may be made by the Synod of the Potomac relative to the chair of New Testament Exegesis in the said Theological Seminary.

We remain, sincerely yours,

Ministers.

JAMES CRAWFORD,
S. T. WAGNER,
B. B. FERER,
ELLIS N. KREMER.

Elders.

E. B. SMITH,
JNO. J. NISSLEY,
HIRAM STAMM,
F. G. HOESON.

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF VISITORS OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The following report was received and adopted:

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

Brethren: The Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary held a special session in Lancaster, March 22, 1904. The exigencies of the Seminary demanded such a meeting, and were found to be of so grave a nature as to constrain the Board to adopt measures to secure a special meeting of the synods having control of the institution. The report addressed to your reverend body has been sent in the same form to the other two synods, that all the synods may have a full view of the situation, and take such action severally and conjointly as the conditions may require.

At its special meeting the Board directed its secretary to report to the synods the facts as they then existed. At that time Rev. William Rupp, D. D., was in a critical condition of illness and there was no hope that he would ever be able to resume his duties. At the same time Rev. Dr. E. V. Ger-

hart was physically enfeebled, but there was a reasonable hope that he might be spared to the Church if he should be relieved of his exacting duties.

The Board's action was to suggest to the synods that the above-named professors be relieved of their duties, that provision be made for them during their natural lives, that men be elected to fill the chairs respectively held by them, and that Dr. Gerhart be declared Professor Emeritus, with the salary he then received and the use of the house he then occupied.

These suggestions have been disposed of by a higher Power, since it has pleased our Father to call his faithful servants to rest. The remaining feature of the situation as it then was, is unaltered, and will duly appear under Item III of this report.

I. The Board reports to your reverend body the death of Rev. Dr. E. V. Gerhart, and in doing so records its grateful appreciation of the eminent services he rendered to the Church and her institutions during his long life.

Rev. Emanuel V. Gerhart, D. D., LL. D., was born June 13, A. D. 1817, and died May 6, 1904. He was one of the students of the first school of our Church in York, Pa. He moved with the school to Mercersburg, Pa., where it became Marshall College, and was graduated in 1838.

He was successively pastor, missionary pastor, instructor, college president, and theological professor. In all these departments of service he filled his place of trust with credit to himself and honor to the Church. He rendered efficient service to our central institutions at Lancaster for almost fifty years, never shrinking either responsibility or service. Whoever will reflect upon the history made by the Church during these years and consider the part he had in moulding her life will also have a growing appreciation of the value of such a man and the esteem in which his memory should be held. He bore the heat and burden of the day; preserved his vigorous intellect to the end of his long and useful life, and filled the exacting demands of his position down to the preparation of what proved to be his last report of the condition and needs of the institution he had so long and faithfully served. He was the senior member of the faculty, having filled the chair of systematic theology from 1868 to the close of the seminary year 1904. He led the graduating class to the College Chapel

May 1, 1904, and reverently took part in the services. When the work of the year was done, and the books of the institution were closed, on the following day he left again. It was fitting, it was beautiful, that one whose life was so methodical, regular, and exact should be honored in our assembly. Fitting to linger until the work of the year was finished.

We recommend that Synod proceed at once to fill the chair of systematic theology by the election of a successor to Dr. Gerhart.

II. It is with great sorrow that the Board makes known the death of Rev. William Rupp, D. D., professor of practical theology. Dr. Rupp was born April 17, 1831. He died April 3, 1904. Faithful and laborious in his devotion to the Church as a pastor, he brought his great abilities and capacity for work to the service of the Seminary upon the acceptance of the call tendered him by the Pikesburg Synod in 1862. He entered upon his labors in the Seminary in January, 1864. In his own department of instruction, in the editorship of the "Reformed Church Review," and in other public duties, he called attention to the Church and Seminary as a centre and sphere of advanced thinking, of broad liberality and positive faith. He was fearless in investigation, submissive to the authority of truth, and clear and forceful in the presentation of any subject he handled. By his departure the Seminary has lost one who gave the best years of his life to its service, and who spared not his time and strength in the heavy labors of his position. If he undertook more than his strength permitted, it was because of his energy and honesty which impelled him to labor to the full measure of his powers.

We recommend that Synod proceed at once to fill the chair of practical theology by the election of a successor to Dr. Rupp.

III. Rev. John C. Bowman, D. D., professor of New Testament exegesis, on March 22, gave notice of his intention to resign. After thirteen years of faithful service, greatly appreciated by the Church and Seminary, Dr. Bowman feels constrained to re-enter the pastorate. The reasons assigned for this course were such, and the earnestness of his purpose so evident, that the Board, regretting as it does the loss of his valuable services, could not interpose an objection to his announced purpose. His resignation was laid before the Board

and received by it May 5, and has been transmitted to the stated clerk of the Synod of the Potomac.

We recommend that, in the event of the acceptance by Synod of the resignation of Dr. Bowman, it proceed at once to fill the chair of New Testament exegesis by an election.

IV. We recommend that the persons elected to the respective chairs be directed to take up their work at the earliest practical moment.

V. Since the election of a professor by one synod is not final until said election is approved by a majority of the three synods, we recommend to your reverend bodies respectively, that as soon as you have taken action you report the same to the other synods, and that you remain in session long enough to receive and act upon the reports they may send to you.

It will be understood that item I calls for the action of the Eastern Synod, item II for that of the Pittsburg Synod, item III for that of the Synod of the Potomac, and items IV and V for that of all the synods.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary*.

Harrisburg, Pa., June 6, 1904.

THE CALL ISSUED FOR SPECIAL SESSION OF EASTERN SYNOD.

The Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States will hold a special meeting in the First Reformed church, Reading Pa., June 14, 1904, at 8 p. m., to consider the following items:

1. To make provision to fill the chair of systematic theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., by the election of a successor to the late Dr. E. V. Gerhart, deceased.

2. To receive and act upon such report as may be made by the Pittsburg Synod of its action relative to the election of a successor to Rev. William Rupp, D. D., deceased, late professor of practical theology in the aforesaid Theological Seminary.

3. To receive and act upon such report as may be made by Potomac Synod relative to the chair of New Testament exegesis in the aforesaid Theological Seminary.

4. To hear and consider an overture from East Pennsylvania Classis petitioning that steps be taken looking toward the union of Ursinus School of Theology in Philadelphia and the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States at Lancaster, Pa.

5. To instruct the treasurer of Synod to pay the interest on the deficit to meet the payment on the loan for Grace Reformed church, Washington, D. C., occasioned by the arrearages of several classes on the apportionment made for the Washington Mission.

6. To consider the propriety of making suitable provision for the widow of the late Rev. E. V. Gerhart, D. D., LL. D., deceased, during her natural life.

By order of Synod,

CHAS. E. CREITZ, *President.*

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

Reading, Pa., May 14, A. D. 1904

THE DISPOSITION OF THE CALL

The Synod being duly organized, the call for the special meeting and the documents on the basis of which the call was issued were read: The president declared the consideration of the call, *seriatim*, to be in order.

1. Under the head of the first item the following nominations were made: Rev. John G. Noss nominated Rev. Jno. S. Stahr, Ph. D., D. D., to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. E. V. Gerhart, D. D., which was seconded by Rev. E. N. Kremer, D. D. Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, D. D., nominated Rev. Theo. F. Herman, of Allentown, Pa., which was seconded by Rev. D. W. Gerhard, D. D. Rev. Thos. S. Land nominated Rev. E. N. Kremer, D. D., of Harrisburg, Pa., which was seconded by Rev. Jairus A. Wickert. Rev. A. A. Black nominated Rev. R. L. Gerhart, D. D., of Lewisburg, Pa., which was seconded by Rev. K. O. Spessard.

Synod adjourned, to meet in the morning at 9 o'clock, with the Lord's Prayer, Long Metre Doxology, and the benediction by the stated clerk.

WEDNESDAY MORNING.

June 15, 1904.

Synod met at the appointed hour.

The session was opened with religious services.

The roll was called and the minutes of the preceding session were read and approved.

The presence of delegates that arrived this morning was duly announced and they were admitted to their seats.

Brief addresses were delivered by Revs. Jno. G. Noss, Ellis N. Kremer, Thos. J. Hacker, D. W. Gerhard, Samuel L. Whitmore, R. L. Gerhart, G. A. Schwedes, A. A. Black, C. B. Schneder, and Elder J. B. Kieffer as to the merits and qualifications of the several nominees proposed.

At the request of Revs. Ellis N. Kremer and R. L. Gerhart permission was granted to withdraw their names as nominees for the vacancy occasioned by the death of Rev. E. V. Gerhart.

Synod was led in prayer by Rev. B. Bausman, D. D.

The president appointed as tellers Revs. Ellis N. Kremer, Samuel L. Whitmore, Elders J. Sweisfort and J. J. Nissley.

The roll was called and the ballot taken, which resulted in the election of Rev. Theo. F. Herman.

On motion, the election of Rev. Theo. F. Herman was made unanimous by a rising vote, and the result of the election was sent by the corresponding secretary to the Potomac Synod in session at Carlisle, Pa., and to the Pittsburg Synod in session at Pittsburg, Pa.

The following action was adopted:

Resolved, That the officers of Synod be, and hereby are, instructed to tender the usual constitutional call to the Rev. Theo. F. Herman, duly elected to the professorship of systematic theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., at a salary of \$1,500 per annum, together with the use of a free dwelling.

On motion, it was resolved that a committee of five be appointed to make the necessary arrangements for the inauguration of Rev. Theo. F. Herman as professor of systematic theology, to which position he was duly elected, after receiving the approval of the Pittsburg and the Potomac Synod.

The president appointed Revs. Thos. J. Hacker, Ellis N. Kremer, Jno. Ph. Stein, C. B. Schneder and Chas. E. Schaeffer to attend to the inauguration.

The Pittsburg and Potomac Synods were duly informed of the election by the corresponding secretary, and they subsequently ratified the election.

Item 2. A communication was received from the Pittsburg Synod informing Synod that Rev. Jno. C. Bowman, D. D., was duly elected to the professorship of pastoral theology.

The election of Rev. J. C. Bowman was, on motion, ratified by a rising vote, and instructions given to corresponding secretary to communicate this action to the Pittsburg Synod.

Item 3. A communication was received from the Potomac Synod informing this Synod that Rev. Wm. C. Schaeffer, Ph. D., D. D., was duly elected to the professorship of Biblical exegesis.

The election of Rev. Wm. C. Schaeffer was, on motion, ratified by a rising vote, and instructions given to corresponding secretary to communicate this action to the Potomac Synod.

Item 4. An overture from East Pennsylvania Classis, and also communications from Philadelphia and Wyoming Classes, were read, and the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That the stated clerk be directed to answer the East Pennsylvania Classis as follows:

Whereas the Philadelphia Classis, which is largely composed of the constituency of the Ursinus School of Theology, has expressed itself as unfavorable at this time to consolidation, Synod deems it inexpedient to take any action in the premises

Item 5. This item was adopted and the following action taken:

On motion, it was resolved that the treasurer of Synod be hereby instructed to pay the interest as requested in the item, and that the amount thus paid out be apportioned upon the respective classes which are in arrears for the Washington Church Fund in proportion to the amount of their indebtedness.

Item 6. This item was adopted, and the subject-matter was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. A. C. Whitmer, Rufus W. Miller, and Elder J. J. Nissley, who are to report at the next annual meeting of Synod.

Revs. E. F. Weist and C. E. Schaeffer were appointed by the president to report the names of advisory members and visiting brethren from other denominations. The committee's report was received and the results recorded under the head of advisory members.

By action taken, the sermon preached at the opening of the session was ordered to be printed in the minutes of Synod.

The thanks of Synod were tendered to the First Reformed church and the other congregations for their hospitality in entertaining its members during its present sessions.

The business of Synod having been attended to, a motion was made to adjourn. While the motion to adjourn was pending, the minutes were read and approved, the roll called and the absent brethren excused.

The session was closed with religious services, and Synod adjourned on Wednesday, June 15, 1904, at 5.30 p. m. with the Apostolic Benediction.

CHAS. E. CORTZ, *President.*

JNO. P. SCHAFF, *Secret. Clerk.*

Official copy of original minutes.

JNO. P. SCHAFF, *Secret. Clerk.*

**MEMORIAL SERMON DELIVERED BY REV. JNO. PH. STEIN,
D. D.**

**June 14, 1904, in First Reformed Church, Reading, Pa.,
and Published by Request of Synod.**

St. John ix. 4: "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day: the night cometh in which no man can work."

The words of the text, in their higher aspect, are strictly appropriate to the characteristic work of our adorable Lord, and in another sense, they are applicable to his devoted followers. In the use of the words of the text the Saviour is forecasting his entire earthly career. The past and the future are before him, and no less the precise relation between the present and the future and that between the present and the past. To his penetrating vision, the course of life lies across an open domain, in which he could clearly discern the end from the beginning. We, like travelers, are making our journey through an unknown country and can only see to the nearest horizon. Little do we know what awaits us as we pass on through the successive stages in the history of our lives.

As the private soldier moves forward with his regiment at the command and under the orders of his captain, with the secrets of the movement and the probable issues of the battle locked in the keeping of the commanding general, so the followers of Christ, in their onward course, must, with confidence and trust, submit the unfolding of their lives to the sacred keeping of their blessed Master. The noise and the din falling on our ears, the dust and the smoke, the constant bustle and the increasing confusion around us, shut out from view all that which lies beyond our mental vision, so that we are instinctively constrained to utter the prayer:

Keep thou my feet. I do not ask to see
The distant scene,—one step enough for me.

It would not be conducive to our happiness, nor contribute to our success, to attempt to hold the events of our life under our personal control. It is more in keeping with our Christian vocation humbly to submit to the wise direction of him whose we are and whom we are called to serve. We learn to know better, year by year, that the work we have to do

does not really lie within our compass; that we are in no sense qualified to measure it; that we simply do naught but labor as God gives us opportunity.

Our Lord, however, was master of his destiny. When he began his work he could say, "Mine hour is not yet come: for this end have I been born and to this end am I come into the world," and when he was about closing his earthly life he could say, "I have glorified thee on the earth; I have finished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, O Father, glorify thou me with thine own self, with the glory which I had with thee before the world was;" and in that other saying of like character: "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day." He knew when his day of life on earth would end, and what the future had in store for him; when the night of his passion would surely come, and when he would work no more.

In the words of the text the Lord unveils the solitary grandeur of his mission. Much there was in the earthly life of the Saviour that was strictly in common to himself and to that of each of his brethren, and in which he continues as our example to the end of time. But in its deepest sense his words have reference to his mediatorial work,—that series of acts leading up to his bitter death upon the cross, and his resurrection from the grave, in which he not merely bore witness to the truth, but likewise achieved the redemption of the human race.

In all the struggles and sufferings endured in his redemptive work, Christ stood alone among the sons of men, conscious every moment of his divine relationship to his Father and his human relationship to his brethren. And this consciousness of our Lord is felt in these piercing words: "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day, for the night cometh in which no man can work."

The words of the text, in their deepest and fullest sense, have direct reference to our Lord, yet they do at the same time express the conviction, and give us the law for the government of every consecrated life. It forceably confronts us with the brevity of life, and admonishes one and all to make the most of our opportunities, since the night cometh in which no man can work.

As workmen in the kingdom of our Redeemer, we are called together in special session in a synodical relation to transact business pertaining to the honor of the Church and the glory of Christ's kingdom. The exigencies that confront us are of such a nature that they challenge our deliberate and prayerful consideration. Never before in the history of the Reformed Church in this country has there been such a combination of events, so vitally affecting the interests of the Church, centering in the highest of its literary institutions, as at the present time. By a providential coincidence, three vacancies have occurred during the last three months in the Faculty of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., of which facts the Church is challenged to take cognizance, through its official bodies, now in session, namely; the Eastern Synod, the Synod of Pittsburg and the Synod of the Potomac; whose duty it is to act conjointly in regard to the important interests in behalf of the Reformed Church in filling these vacancies, with supreme regard to the honor of the Master whom we are called to serve.

In the consideration of the business in hand, it may be more profitable to be guided in our present transaction by briefly considering the facts which confront us, in the order of their occurrence:

Rev. Jno. C. Bowman, D. D., professor of New Testament Exegesis, tendered his resignation to the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary on the 22d of March, 1904, with the intention of accepting a call tendered to him by the First Reformed church at Easton, Pa.

Dr. Bowman was elected to the position which he held in the Theological Seminary by the Potomac Synod, and he has filled it acceptably for thirteen years, with credit to himself and to the honor of the Church. The Board of Visitors was loath to accept his resignation. It cherishes with high regard the excellent work accomplished by him in the founding of the professorship by his canvass of the Potomac Synod; the excellent service rendered by him, in conjunction with others, in securing funds for the erection of the Seminary Building; his cheerful and willing spirit manifested in assuming additional work to relieve his afflicted brethren in the faculty during their illness, and the admirable manner in which he rep-

resented the institutions in behalf of the Church on all occasions. The reasons assigned by Dr. Bowman for the course pursued were however, of such a character that the Board, regretting as it does the loss of his valuable services in the Seminary, could not interpose an objection to his announced purpose. Consequently his resignation was laid before the Board the 5th of May and accepted, and the action transmitted to the Potomac Synod. The Board has been assured by Dr. Bowman that although his relation as a professor in the Seminary be severed, he shall ever continue to take a deep and abiding interest in the welfare of the institution.

The second vacancy in the faculty of the Theological Seminary was occasioned by the death of Dr. William Rupp, who was elected by the Pittsburg Synod, October, 1892, to the chair of Practical Theology in the Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.

William Rupp was a son of Solomon and Maria Rupp; born April 17, 1839, at Wissenberg, Lehigh county, Pa. He was a descendant of a worthy German ancestry who came to America from Alsatia in 1750. His early literary training was received at the Allentown Seminary. He was graduated from Franklin and Marshall College in 1862 with the highest honors of his class, and in 1864 from the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa. He was licensed to preach the gospel in 1864 by Lancaster Classis, and ordained February 6, 1865, at Pinegrove, Schuylkill county, by the Classis of Lebanon. He was elected as pastor of the St. Clair charge in 1865; of Berlin, Somerset county, in 1866; of Manchester, Md., in 1877, and of Myersdale, Somerset county, Pa., in 1888. He was called by the Pittsburg Synod, in 1892, to the chair of Practical Theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., and was duly installed into his position in September, 1893. The degree of Doctor of Divinity was conferred upon him in 1886 by his alma mater.

During the twenty-eight years of his active ministry he preached to small country congregations. As a country pastor, he found abundant time for earnest, practical study. His marked ability as a preacher of the gospel in explaining the Scriptures was known only to a limited number of hearers, and yet there is no doubt that his influence on the thought

of the Reformed Church was felt far beyond the circle of our own denominational life. His influence in the sphere of letters was made manifest as student, scholar, thinker, worker and teacher.

While engaged in the active duties of the ministry, he thoroughly studied the Old and New Testament in the original Hebrew and Greek. He restudied church history and the writings of the church fathers in the original Greek and Latin in which they were written, while at the same time he renewed his studies in philosophy and the history of theology.

While engaged in the pastorate at Berlin he wrote his earlier articles for the "Church Review," by which he came to be regarded as the most brilliant of the younger men of the Mercersburg type of thought.

Realizing the fact that all knowledge is practically related to theology, he became deeply interested in the wonderful discoveries in nature and the rapid strides in the mastery of the natural sciences. He became an enthusiastic botanist, and, with the scientific knowledge acquired in this department of study, he gathered numerous specimens, with the intention of making an exhibit of the flora of Somerset county. With a similar devotion, he restudied the science of geology, and his practical work in this direction became the basis of a report to the State geologist on the geological formation of that section of the State in which he labored. The kindred departments of cosmology, anthropology and chemistry were likewise carefully studied, but which, from a want of proper facilities, could not be carried on with the same practical thoroughness as the other departments of study.

His varied knowledge and the enthusiasm he was enabled to enkindle was the power that drew the attention of an increasing number of men, and especially the young men in the Theological Seminary, who regarded him as their fearless and, at the same time, their modest leader.

All who knew him, or became acquainted with him through his writings, were aware that his theological views, as he advanced in life, suffered considerable modification, but the change wrought was not violent, but gradual, and in accordance with the laws of historical growth.

The same vigorous faith in the objective facts of revelation

still remained. He translated, however, that faith into the thought-forms of the new times, making the controlling principle in his articles on the atonement the love of God as revealed in his Son our Lord. He was firmly settled in his convictions that the divine-human Jesus is our Lord and Saviour. With unwavering faith in, and with ever increasing love for the Lord Jesus Christ, he lived and died. His life was burnt out in his zeal for the house of the Lord. He sought to bring his life into strict compliance with that of the blessed Master, who said, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day; the night cometh when no man can work." When the sun of his earthly life was about to set, he fully realized that his work was very incomplete. He longed to live, that he might recast his lectures and finish his work, but the Lord had compassion on him in his physical weakness. When the day of his natural life was drawing to a close, and the somber shade of night came to wearied eyes, and his worn-out and wasted body needed rest, he gently fell asleep on Easter morn, and his spirit took its flight toward the celestial city—the everlasting rest of the people of the living God.

The third vacancy in the faculty of the Theological Seminary (at Lancaster, Pa.) was occasioned by the death of Rev. Dr. Emanuel Vogel Gerhart, which took place on May the 6th at his home in Lancaster.

It was but yesterday eighty-seven years ago that the subject of this sketch, Emanuel Vogel Gerhart, a son of Rev. Isaac and Sarah Gerhart, was born at Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa. His ancestors came from Alsatia to America in 1730 and settled in Bucks county, Pa. His father was one of the pioneer ministers in the early history of the Reformed Church in this country, having served congregations at sundry times in Union county, Pa.; at Frederick, Md., and at Manheim, Lancaster county, Pa.

The son was under the tuition of his father until 1833. when, at sixteen years of age, he entered the Classical School founded under the auspices of the Church at York, Pa., of which Rev. Fred. Aug. Rauch was principal. He became one of the charter members in the organization of the Diognothian Literary Society.

In the removal of this Classical School, in 1836, to Mercersburg, Pa., he was one of the eight students that followed the institution to its new home, and became a member of the junior class when transformed into Marshall College, from which institution he was graduated in 1838, and from the Theological Department in 1841. While a student in the Theological Seminary, he became a teacher in the preparatory department of the College, and also in the school for young women established in the village, under the principalship of Mrs. Sarah A. Young, where he continued in service as a teacher until 1842, one year after his graduation from the Theological Seminary.

The Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, at its annual sessions, held October, 1841, in the First Reformed church, Reading, Pa., licensed him to preach the gospel. In 1842 he was ordained by the Mercersburg Classis as the pastor of the Grindstone Hill charge, consisting of four congregations, including the churches at Marion, Fayette and Funkstown.

In 1843 he accepted the call to the Gettysburg charge, then consisting of five congregations, including the churches then known as Flohr's, Arndts', Mark's and Bender's, where he was required to preach in the German and English language.

In 1849 he was commissioned as a missionary to preach in the First Reformed church in Cincinnati, O., and to extend his labors among the foreign-born Germans in that city. During his pastorate in Cincinnati, O., missionary journeys were made by him on horseback through certain sections of the States of Ohio, Kentucky, Indiana, and Wisconsin in the organization of new congregations.

In 1851 he was elected to the presidency of Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., which position was accepted, and in addition he was elected professor of Systematic Theology in that institution. With commendable zeal and energy he entered upon his labors, which were crowned with marked success in the increase of students and in the upbuilding of this new Reformed institution.

While busily engaged as president of Heidelberg College, the consolidation of Franklin and Marshall colleges was

effected during the year 1853. A certain number of the professors engaged in these institutions, before they were united, constituted the faculty, but the institution was lacking a head, in the absence of an efficient president.

Dr. John W. Nevin was nominated and duly elected to the position, who, however, for good and justifiable reasons of his own, refused to act in that capacity. The position was then tendered to Dr. Philip Schaff, who in the estranged isolation of the Seminary at Mercersburg was ready to accept the position, but it was the decided conviction of the Church that his services were absolutely required in the Theological Seminary which continued its special work in the village of Mercersburg.

It was at this critical juncture in the history of Franklin and Marshall College that the attention of the Church was directed to Dr. E. V. Gerhart, which resulted in his election as president of Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, Pa., by the Board of Trustees, and which election was ratified by the Synod of Lewisburg in October, 1854.

This unexpected call was to him a great surprise. After due deliberation, he accepted the presidency, which carried with it the professorship of mental and moral philosophy, and in 1855 he came to Lancaster, Pa., to perform the duties incumbent on him as president of Franklin and Marshall College.

The institution then had but few students and little or no endowment. The whole community, as well as the Reformed Church, had lost faith in its success. In fact, Dr. Gerhart entered upon the discharge of his duties under the most discouraging circumstances.

The newly-elected president immediately set to work to restore confidence, to gain students, and to engage in collecting the money required to carry on the work of the college. The success of his earnest efforts were greatly retarded by the financial depression of the panic in 1857. It was at that period that the Literary Halls were erected, and for lack of funds the buildings were in danger of passing into the sheriff's hands, so that the president of the institution felt constrained to put forth personal efforts to raise funds to remove the encumbrances that endangered the ownership of these buildings, in which the students have always manifested a worthy

and honorable pride. Notwithstanding these hindrances, the work moved forward, the number of students was increased, the legitimate work of the college was expanded, funds were gathered, and the debts were paid.

Next came the trial of the Civil War. The curriculum of the college was, however, well maintained. The effects of the war were but slightly felt in the institution until after the battle of Gettysburg. Through these trying years Dr. Gerhart performed a service for the Church as president of Franklin and Marshall College that can never be forgotten.

When the chair of systematic theology in the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., became vacant, in 1868, by the death of Dr. Harbaugh, there was no question in the mind of the Church as to who should become his successor. It was the expressed conviction of Dr. Schaff that Dr. E. V. Gerhart was the natural successor to the chair of systematic theology in the Theological Seminary, and that opinion was sustained by his election at a special session of Synod held in March, 1868, at Harrisburg, Pa.

For thirty-six years he served as president of the faculty of the Theological Seminary and incumbent of the chair of systematic theology. The thorough discipline to which he had subjected himself for years, and the systematic pursuit of a regular course of philosophy, logic, and mental science in the active duties of the presidency of Franklin and Marshall College, made him at once a strong and well qualified professor in the seminary. When a college professor, he became one of the editors of the "Mercersburg Review," and during his active service he contributed no less than sixty-two articles for its pages, beginning with the year 1851 and ending with the year 1903, in which articles he discussed nearly every phase of theology, philosophy, church history, exegesis and liturgics. He was regarded as one of the best of teachers in training students in the class-room to think in a logical manner on every subject that he taught. He was thoroughly imbued with the Christological idea which was central in Mercersburg theology, and it became his province to reduce the thought of this school into scientific form in his lectures to the students, as presented in the published octavo volumes, entitled "Institutes of the Christian Religion."

In his diligence, with high qualifications, he filled the position of a Christian teacher for fifty-five years with dignity and honor, giving practical illustration in his life of the text, "I must work the works of him that sent me while it is day, for the night cometh in which man works no more."

As the day was drawing to a close, arrangements were made for the final baccalaureate services of the seminary year. The questions for the final examinations of the seminary students were prepared and placed in the hands of those who conducted the examination. The testimonials were signed and delivered. The closing services in the institution were ended; the visitors who had come to attend the seminary commencement were returning home; when, at 9 o'clock in the morning of the 6th of May, the tolling bell on the college tower announced the fact that the servant of God had fallen asleep, and that his spirit had taken its flight to that world of blessedness so logically described in the closing chapter of his "Institutes of the Christian Religion."

In this official manner the Church pays its humble tribute to the memory of its honored servants, two of whom are numbered with the departed, and now, with uplifted hearts, in its synodic assembly, it implores the divine guidance of the great Head of the Church, and the chief Shepherd and Bishop of souls, that our acts and proceedings may be in harmony with his divine will, and to the honor and glory of the Church of the Redeemer, whom we are called to serve. The peace of God be with you! Amen.

SPECIAL MEETING

OF

Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

**HELD SEPTEMBER 6, IN ST. PAUL'S REFORMED CHURCH,
READING, PA.**

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

Synod convened in St. Paul's Reformed church, Reading, Pa., September 6th, A. D. 1904, at 7.30 p. m.

The session was opened with religious service conducted by Revs. Jas. R. Bergey, S. E. Stofflet and F. A. Rupley.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D. D., of Harrisburg, Pa., from the text recorded in the gospel of St. Luke xi. 20: "If I by the finger of God cast out devils, no doubt the kingdom of God is come upon you."

The roll of the delegates of Synod of 1903-04 was called and a quorum was present.

ARTICLE II

MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers—G. A. Schwedes, H. H. Sangree, Jno. F. De Long, W. F. More.

2. Lebanon Classis.

Ministers—W. J. Kerschner, Wm. F. DeLong, L. D. Stambaugh, Thos. C. Leinbach.

Elders—E. O. Gilbert, Wm. H. Leinbach.

3. Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers—Jno. H. Sechler, F. A. Rupley, I. M. S. Isenberg, A. S. Bromer.

Elders—Henry Spies, Abram Schwenk, Jas. McIntire, A. B. Scheffey.

4. Lancaster Classis.

Ministers—Ellis N. Kremer, J. H. Watts, Rob't Reed, Thos. S. Land, J. G. Noss, A. C. Whitmer, J. A. Wickert.

Elders—Jno. J. Nissley, E. H. Burkholder, Jno. H. Landis, Hiram Stamm, E. B. Smith.

5. East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—I. M. Schaeffer, C. D. Kressley, L. M. Fetterolf.

Elder—A. M. Keim.

6. West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—A. A. Black, R. L. Gerhart, K. O. Spessard.

Elder—Jared Harper.

7. Tolickon Classis.

Ministers—J. J. Rothrock, N. Z. Snyder, Jas. R. Bergey, J. O. Lindaman.

Elders—L. W. Weirback, Leidy Scheip.

8. Goshenhoppen Classis.

Ministers—L. K. Evans, Lucian Roush, I. S. Stahr.

Elders—Henry Bobb, Jesse W. Evans, Wm. F. Leidy.

9. Lehigh Classis.

Ministers—Thos. J. Hacker, R. M. Kern, D. A. Winter, G. P. Stem, Thos. H. Krick, Jas. O. Oswald, H. L. Fogelman.

Elders—N. C. E. Guth, J. D. Schreiber, Rob't Rupp, R. H. Kramm.

10. Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers—O. H. Strunck, S. L. Whitmore.

Elders—Justus Sherer, F. A. Brown.

11. Wyoming Classis.

Ministers—J. B. Kerschner, S. E. Stofflet, W. D. Happel.

Elders—W. J. Balliet, A. M. DeWitt, J. Sweisfort, A. Mauser.

12. Reading Classis.

Ministers—Chas. E. Creitz, Chas. E. Schaeffer, Jno. Ph. Stein, S. R. Bridenbaugh.

Elders—Jacob H. Stein, R. M. Hoffman, J. S. Wise.

ARTICLE III.

OFFICERS OF SYNOD.

President—Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, Reading, Pa.

Corresponding Secretary—Rev. F. A. Rupley, Fort Washington, Pa.

Stated Clerk—Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, Reading, Pa.

Treasurer—Elder Samuel M. Gingrich, Swatara Station.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The reading of the Rules of Order was dispensed with.

The Bar of the House was defined to extend to the ninth row of pews from the chancel.

The evening session was opened at 7.30 and closed at 10 o'clock.

The morning session was opened at 8.30 and closed at 11 o'clock.

Each session was opened and closed with religious service.

THE CALL FOR THIS SPECIAL MEETING.

The Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States will convene in special session in St. Paul's Reformed church, Reading, Pa., on Tuesday, September 6th, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., to attend to the following items of business:

Item 1. To hear and act upon the reply of Rev. T. F. Herman to the action of Synod in electing him to the professorship of systematic theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., at its late special meeting held in Reading, Pa.

Item 2. To proceed, if in order, to the election of some one to fill the vacancy in the aforesaid chair in the Seminary.

Item 3. To provide for the installation of the professor thus elected, or to make provision for such business as may be properly required by these items of business. No provision being made for entertainment, Synod, according to its own action, entertains itself.

By order of Synod,

CHAS. E. CREITZ, *President*.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Reading, Pa., August 15, 1904.

AUTHORITY FOR ISSUING THE CALL.

The following communication was received by the president of Synod and read by the stated clerk:

LEBANON, PA., *August 11, 1904.*

TO THE REV. C. E. CREITZ,
President Eastern Synod, Reading, Pa.

Dear Brother in Christ: We, the undersigned, respectfully request that you call the Eastern Synod to convene in special session, at the earliest constitutional date and at some suitable place, for the purpose of acting upon the following items of business:

Item 1. To hear and act upon the reply of Rev. T. F. Herman to the action of Synod in electing him to the professorship of systematic theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., at its late special meeting in Reading, Pa.

Item 2. If in order, to proceed to the election of some one to fill the vacancy in the aforesaid chair in the Seminary.

Item 3. To provide for the installation of the professor so elected, or to attend to such business as may properly be required by these items of business.

S. L. WHITMORE,	E. B. SMITH,
T. J. HACKER,	R. H. KRAMM,
GEORGE P. STEM,	DR. N. C. E. GUTH,
JOHN F. DELONG,	AMANDES SNYDER.

The call issued was considered item by item.

LETTER OF REV. MR. HERMAN.

The following letter of declination from Rev. T. F. Herman, professor-elect to the chair of systematic theology, was received and accepted; it read as follows:

ALLENTOWN, PA., *August 3, 1904.*

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD.

Brethren: After a prolonged and conscientious consideration of the call to the chair of systematic theology in the Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., given me by your reverend body on June 14, 1904, I have decided not to accept it.

I am aware that it is a very grave matter not to accept the call to such an exalted position. The lustre shed upon the chair of systematic theology by its late incumbent and the

humble niche which I fill in our Church made the honor of my election an almost overwhelming argument. But in a matter fraught with such weighty consequences, both for the Church at large and for myself, I dared not permit myself to be guided either by the temptation of holding a position which is exalted and at the same time the goal of my earnest aspiration; or by the insistent counsel of many friends, whose wisdom I respect; or by the equally insistent voice of my congregation, whose welfare is dear to me.

The paramount question before me was: Where can I serve my Master and my Church best at this time? The answer, embodied in my decision, was reached after a long and painful conflict of duties and aspirations. It is a conscientious answer, and as such I beg your reverend body to receive and accept it.

I have no overweening confidence in my power of judgment. But I am comforted to know that almost one-half of my brethren, by the verdict of their ballots at Reading, sustain me in the decision that at this time the mantle of my revered and lamented teacher and friend, the late Dr. E. V. Gerhart, should fall upon some one else.

With the assurance of my deep appreciation of the honor which this reverend body conferred upon one of its youngest and least known members, and with the prayer that I may always merit your confidence, I am

Your brother in gospel bonds,

THEO. F. HERMAN.

Under the head of the second item, a motion was made and carried that Synod proceed to make its nominations for the chair of systematic theology by ballot.

The president appointed Revs. I. M. S. Isenberg, Thos. H. Krick, K. O. Spessard, and Elder J. S. Wise as tellers.

The roll was called and the ballot taken, which resulted in the nomination of Revs. Jno. S. Stahr, C. Noss, J. Spangler Kieffer, Ellis N. Kremer, R. L. Gerhart, L. K. Evans, T. F. Herman, Thos. J. Hacker, H. H. Apple, A. P. Horn, Jno. H. Sechler, N. C. Schaeffer and I. M. Schaeffer.

The following persons, Revs. L. K. Evans, Thos. J. Hacker, Jno. H. Sechler, N. C. Schaeffer and I. M. Schaeffer, at their

request, received permission to withdraw their names as nominees.

On motion, it was resolved that the election be made the order of the day at the morning session, and, after the second ballot, the nominee having the lowest number of votes be dropped until the ballot results in an election.

Brief remarks were made by Revs. Jno. G. Noss, Ellis N. Kreiner, A. R. Bartholomew, R. L. Gerhart, Thos. S. Land, A. C. Whitmer, C. E. Schaeffer, and Elder E. B. Smith in regard to the merits and qualification of their favorite nominee.

The election being in order, the president appointed Revs. Wm. F. DeLong, J. H. Watts, and Elders Jacob H. Stein and J. Sweissfort as tellers.

The roll was called and the ballot taken, which resulted, on the second ballot, in the election of Rev. Christopher Noss.

On motion, the election of Rev. Christopher Noss was made unanimous.

The stated clerk was instructed to inform the Pittsburg and the Potomac Synod of his election by this Synod.

The officers of Synod were instructed, that, as soon as the election of Rev. Noss by this body be approved by the Pittsburg Synod and the Synod of the Potomac, the constitutional call be forwarded to the nominee duly elected.

The third item in the call was adopted, and the president appointed Revs. Chas. E. Schaeffer, Ellis N. Kremer, Jno. G. Noss, Jno. Ph. Stein and R. L. Gerhart as the committee to attend to his induction into the chair of systematic theology.

ADJOURNMENT.

Pending the motion to adjourn, the minutes were read and approved.

The roll was called and the absentees were excused.

Synod adjourned on Wednesday, at 11 a. m. The delegates gathered in front of the chancel, united in the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer, and were dismissed with the Apostolic Benediction.

CHAS. E. CREITZ, *President.*

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

Official copy of the original minutes.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

One Hundred and Fifty-Eighth Annual Sessions

ACTS AND PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

**Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church
in United States.**

**AT ITS ANNUAL SESSIONS IN PERKASIE, PA., IN THE MONTH
OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND
NINE HUNDRED AND FOUR.**

The sessions began on the 26th and continued until October 31st, adjourning at 11.30 o'clock.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

Synod convened in St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Perkasio, Pa., Wednesday, October 26th, A. D. 1904, at 7.30 p. m., according to adjournment.

The session was opened with religious service conducted by Revs. Drs. John S. Stahr and John H. Sechler.

The opening sermon was preached by Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, Reading, Pa., from the text (John 3:11): "Verily, verily, I say unto thee, we speak that we do know, and testify that we have seen, and ye receive not our witness." After the sermon the Holy Communion was celebrated, the delegate members and visiting brethren participating.

The business session was opened with prayer. The provisional roll was called; the delegates present answered to the calling of their names, and a quorum was present.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.**1. East Pennsylvania Classis.**

Ministers—I. M. Beaver, David Scheirer, F. M. Moyer, J. G. Rupp, M. N. George, W. H. Brong.

Elders—Cyrus Zellner, Henry Kern, Harrison Hahn, Newman Laros, John A. Singer.

2. Lebanon Classis.

Ministers—J. V. George, D. D., A. J. Bachman, Thos. C. Leinbach, V. W. Dippell, Ph. D., Paul J. Dundore.

Elders—Samuel Moyer, Geo. D. Fahrenbach, Cornelius Loose, J. J. Cassart.

3. Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers—John H. Sechler, D. D., Geo. H. Miller, S. L. Messinger, C. D. Yost, J. N. Faust, C. B. Alspach, C. H. Slinghoff, A. H. Hibshman, Ph. D.

Elders—H. C. Hoover, J. R. Ellis, Wm. Lettinger, Martin Bushong, A. N. Brown.

4. Lancaster Classis.

Ministers—D. G. Glass, S. Schweitzer, John S. Stahr, D. D., J. W. Meminger, D. D., W. S. Cramer, Wm. F. Lichliter, D. W. Gerhard, D. D.

Elders—G. A. Hollinger, E. H. Burkholder, G. J. P. Raub, H. F. Bitner, C. S. Schelley.

5. East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—G. G. Greenawald, Robert O. Boyle, G. W. Royer, A. M. Schaffner.

Elders—C. Reichert, D. N. Miller, Eml. Ressler.

6. West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—Daniel M. Wolf, J. M. Runkle, H. J. Crow.

Elders—J. F. Brown, J. A. Meyer, John Heffner.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis.

Ministers—I. S. Stahr, J. L. Roush, W. B. Werner.

Elders—R. Gerry, H. B. Feather.

8. Tohickon Classis.

Ministers—W. H. Mader, J. R. Bergey, A. P. Horn, J. O. Lindaman.

Elders—C. E. Freed, M. D. Althouse, J. G. Moyer.

9. Lehigh Classis.

Ministers—Geo. B. Smith, Thos. H. Krick, H. L. Fogelman, E. H. Leinbach, J. P. Bachman, E. E. Kresge, R. M. Kern.

Elders—D. Wert, D. P. Fister, C. C. Jaret, C. Hackman, F. M. Stephen, R. L. Kuhns, D. Scheirer.

10. Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers—J. G. Kerschner, A. F. Dreisbach, Ph. D., G. W. Hartman.

Elders—Justus Sherer, A. S. Mengel.

11. Wyoming Classis.

Ministers—W. D. Happel, Ph. D., P. H. Hoover, A. H. Herbst, J. W. Bell, C. D. Lerch.

Elders—Henry Thomas, A. S. Mann, W. R. Long, W. F. Hess, W. A. Smawley.

12. Reading Classis.

Ministers—W. E. Harr, D. E. Schaeffer, F. W. Dickert, G. W. Gerhard.

Elders—J. M. Hoffman, Dr. J. K. Seaman, and Jno. Diener.

Rev. Thos. S. Land, delegate secundus from Lancaster Classis, occupied the seat of Rev. D. G. Glass, primarius, during Monday session.

Rev. Elmer S. Noll, delegate secundus from Tohickon Classis, occupied the seat of his primarius, Rev. A. P. Horn, from Saturday session to the close.

Rev. John Ph. Stein, delegate secundus from Reading Classis, occupied the seat of the primarius, Rev. D. E. Schaeffer, from the opening of session until Friday.

Advisory Members.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Revs. R. F. Reed, Geo. J. Lisberger, J. F. DeLong, D. D., W. F. More.

Lebanon Classis—Rev. W. F. DeLong.

Philadelphia Classis—Revs. T. L. Bickel, D. N. Ditmer, H. W. Bright, H. T. Spangler, D. D., A. O. Reiter,

Lancaster Classis—Revs. A. C. Whitmer, Thos. S. Land.

Tohickon Classis—Revs. D. B. Clark, C. B. Weaver, Jacob Kehm, J. J. Rothrock, B. F. Luckenbill, J. A. Mertz, E. S. Noll, Karl A. Stein, F. J. Mohr, Lic. E. M. Hartman, Rev. A. B. Koplin, D. D.

Goshenhoppen Classis—Rev. Eli Keller, D. D., Lic. C. M. DeLong, Rev. D. K. Loudenslager.

Lchigh Classis—Revs. T. J. Hacker, D. D., Thomas N. Reber, J. W. Knappenberger, R. Ruhlof, A. R. Bartholomew, D. D., G. W. Richards, D. D., Fred. Seitz, H. D. Kurtz, T. F. Herman.

Schuylkill Classis—Rev. Zwingli A. Yearick.

Reading Classis—Revs. James I. Good, D. D., C. E. Creitz, R. W. Miller, D. D., John Ph. Stein, D. D.

Wyoming Classis—Rev. D. W. Ebbert, D. D.

Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod—Rev. Clayton H. Ranck.

Elders—H. H. Houskeeper, Philadelphia Classis; Henry Robb, Goshenhoppen Classis; Martin Reigel, East Pennsylvania Classis; Daniel Miller, Reading Classis.

Rev. Berkemeyer, Lutheran Church, Sellersville, Pa.

Rev. H. Wentz, Bethel Evangelical, Perkasié, Pa.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Rev. V. W. Dippel, Ph. D., of Lebanon, Pa., was elected President.

Rev. C. D. Yost, Chalfont, Pa., was elected Corresponding Secretary.

Rev. I. M. Beaver, Bangor, Pa., was elected Reading Clerk.

Rev. John Ph. Stein, D. D., Reading, Pa., is Stated Clerk.

Elder Samuel M. Gingrich, Swatara Station, Pa., continues as Treasurer.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by General Synod in 1887 at Akron, O., were dispensed with.

The Bar of the House was defined as extending to the ninth pew from the chancel.

The business sessions were opened at 9 a. m., and closed at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11.30 p. m. to 2 p. m.

ARTICLE V.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees, to wit:

1. *Religious Services*—Revs. Elmer S. Noll, A. P. Horn, C. B. Alspach, Elders M. D. Althouse, R. L. Kuhns.
2. *Minutes of Eastern Synod*—Revs. Thos. H. Krick, J. M. Runkle, D. G. Glass, Elders Cyrus Zellner, Geo. D. Farenbach.
3. *Overtures*—Revs. Thomas C. Leinbach, A. H. Hibshman, Ph. D., G. W. Royer, Elders G. A. Hollinger, C. Reichert.
4. *Minutes of Classes*—Revs. J. H. Sechler, D. D., J. G. Rupp, W. H. Brong, Elders Sam'l Moyer, Harrison Hahn.
5. *Examination and Licensure*—Revs. J. G. Kershner, G. W. Hartman, E. E. Kresge, Elders C. E. Freed, Henry Thomas.
6. *State of Religion*—Revs. Jno. S. Stahr, D. D., J. W. Meminger, D. D., A. J. Bachman, Elders Cornelius Loose, H. C. Hoover.
7. *Franklin and Marshall College and Theological Seminary*—Revs. W. D. Happel, Ph. D., W. C. Harr, W. S. Cramer, Elders C. S. Shelly, I. F. Brown.
8. *Missions*—Rev. I. M. Beaver, Paul J. Dundore, G. G. Greenawalt, Elders Wm. Lettinger, D. N. Miller.
9. *Finance*—Revs. Robt. O'Boyle, C. D. Lerch, C. H. Slinghoff, Elders R. Gerry, Henry Kern.
10. *Nominations*—Revs. David Scheirer, S. Schweitzer, J. V. George, D. D., Elders A. S. Mengel, J. G. Moyer.
11. *Publications*—Revs. M. N. George, Dr. Daniel M. Wolfe, I. S. Stahr, Elders J. R. Ellis, A. S. Mann.
12. *Orphan's Home and Other Benevolent Institutions*—Revs. Robt. M. Kern, A. H. Herbst, A. F. Dreisbach, Ph. D., Elders D. Scheirer, W. P. Long.
13. *Sunday-schools*—Revs. H. L. Fogleman, C. D. Yost, S. L. Messinger, S. T. D., Elders Martin Bushong, J. A. Meyer.

ARTICLE VI. COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The minutes of the following Classes: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination, with the exception of the reports on the State of the Church and the statistical tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Report of the Treasurer were read. The vacancy occurring in the Board of Trustees was referred to Standing Committee on Nominations. Several items in Report of Trustees of Synod and the Treasurer's Report were referred to Committee on Finance.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, the General Synod's Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions were received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

4. The Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Education of the Theological Seminary, also the Report of Franklin and Marshall College were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on College and Seminary.

5. The Annual Report of the Board of Publication of Reformed Church was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Report of General Synod's Sunday-school Board was received and referred to Committee on Sunday-schools.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII. RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were severally opened and closed with religious services. The report of the Standing Committee on Religious Services was read at intervals and finally adopted as a whole. The report reads as follows, to wit;

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD:

Your Committee on Religious Services presents the following report:

Wednesday evening, October 26, 7.30 o'clock.—Opening sermon by the retiring President, Rev. C. E. Creitz, celebration of the Holy Communion.

The President of Synod was assisted in the services by Rev. Dr. J. H. Sechler and Rev. Dr. J. S. Stahr.

Tuesday evening, October 27, 7.30 o'clock.—“Foreign Missions,” Elder Hiram Hoover, Hooverton, Pa., presiding. Devotional service conducted by Revs. C. D. Yost and J. W. Bell. Address, Mrs. Wm. E. Hoy; address, Rev. Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, D. D.

Friday evening, October 28, 7.30 o'clock.—“Our Educational Institutions,” Rev. Robert O'Boyle presiding. Devotional service conducted by Revs. J. V. George, D. D., and P. H. Hoover. “The Higher Education of Young Men,” Rev. W. D. Happel, Ph. D.; “The Higher Education of Young Women,” Rev. V. W. Dippel, Ph. D.

Saturday evening, October 29, 7.30 o'clock—Rev. C. B. Alspach presiding. Devotional service conducted by Revs. J. M. Runkle and I. M. Beaver. “Our Church Periodicals,” Rev. Albert Hibsichman, Ph. D.; “Bethany Orphan Home,” Supt. Wilson F. More, Womelsdorf, Pa.; “Our Deaconess Work,” Rev. H. L. Fogleman, Allentown, Pa.

St. Stephen's Reformed Church.—10 a. m., Home Missions, the President of Synod presiding; address, Rev. D. N. Dittmar, Jefferson, Md. 2 p. m., Sunday-school. Teaching of the lesson, Rev. T. W. Dickert; address, Rev. S. L. Messinger, Trappe, Pa. 6.30 p. m., address, Rev. G. W. Gerhard, Hamburg, Pa.; Y. P. S. C. E., song service; address, Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, Lancaster, Pa.; address, Rev. J. G. Kershner, Mahanoy City, Pa. Evening worship, 7.30 p. m., service in charge of Revs. Thos. H. Krick and Isaac S. Stahr; sermon by Rev. J. W. Meminger, Lancaster, Pa.

Ebenezer Evangelical.—a. m., Rev. J. W. Bell; p. m., Rev. J. G. Rupp.

Bethel Evangelical.—a. m., Rev. P. H. Hoover.

First Baptist.—a. m., Rev. Paul Dundore; p. m., Rev. J. R. Bergey.

South Perkasie.—p. m., Rev. G. G. Greenawalt.

Sellersville.—a. m., Rev. W. Stuart Cramer; p. m., Rev. V. W. Dippel.

Dublin.—a. m., Rev. Geo. Miller.

Doylestown.—a. m., Rev. I. M. Beaver; p. m., Rev. H. L. Fogelman.

Keller's Church.—a. m., Rev. J. V. George, D. D.

Lansdale.—a. m., Rev. Robert O'Boyle.

Souderton.—a. m., Rev. Thos. C. Leinbach; p. m., Rev. J. M. Runkle.

Springfield.—Geo. B. Smith.

Allentown.—Rev. Stephen Schweitzer.

Trappe.—Rev. C. D. Lerch.

Eureka.—a. m., Rev. H. I. Crow; p. m., Rev. P. H. Hoover.

Trumbauersville.—Rev. J. G. Kerschmer.

Respectfully submitted,

ELMER S. NOLL, C. B. ALSPACH,
A. P. HORN, R. L. KOONS.

ARTICLE VIII.

MINUTES OF EASTERN SYNOD.

The printed copy of the Minutes of Eastern Synod was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod to note such items as required attention. The Report was presented on Thursday, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Your Committee on Minutes of Eastern Synod held November, 1903, at Lebanon, Pa., find the following items in its "Acts and Proceedings" requiring your attention:

Item 1, p. 54. The Stated Clerk was instructed to convey to all parties concerned the action of the Synod at Wilkes-barre, Pa., relating to the further endowment of the Theological Seminary.

Item 2, p. 58. Synod was instructed to overture the Synod of Pittsburgh and Potomac to consider the Report, suggesting an improved method of aiding worthy young men in the preparation for the Christian ministry.

Item 3, p. 58. The Report "on an improved method for

aiding worthy young men in the preparation for the Christian ministry" was referred to the consideration of the several Classes for a consensus of opinion on this subject.

Item 4, p. 85. The term of Rev. Samuel A. Leinbach as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod expires January 1, 1905.

Item 5, p. 93. A permanent committee was appointed to raise funds for the purchase of "Allentown College for Women." Prof. J. W. Knappenberger, Chairman.

Item 6, p. 109. The Stated Clerk was instructed to have 4,200 copies of Minutes of Synod printed, and distribute the same to those entitled to receive them.

Item 7, p. 113. Synod designated January 17, 1904, as Messenger Day, and that pastors be directed to preach on the subject of Church Literature, in order to promote a larger circulation of the "Messenger."

Item 8, p. 119. The terms of Messrs. Jno. J. Nissley, John B. Roth and Jno. W. Apple, Esq., as members of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, expires December 31, 1904.

Item 9, p. 119. The terms of Revs. E. N. Kremer, D. D., H. M. Kieffer, D. D., and Jas. Crawford, D. D., as members of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary, expires December 31, 1904.

Item 10, p. 120. The term of John W. Bickel, Esq., as a member of the Board of Publication, expires December 31, 1904.

Item 11, p. 120. The term of Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, D. D., as a member of the permanent Sunday-school Committee, expired October 1, 1904.

Item 12, p. 126. Synod adjourned to hold its next annual meeting October 26, 1904, at 7.30 p. m., in St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Perkasié, Pa.

Special Meeting Held June 14, 1904, in First Reformed Church, Reading, Pa.

Item 13, p. 12. Instruction given to officers of Synod to inform Rev. Theo. F. Herman of his election to the Chair of Systematic Theology in Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa.

Item 14, p. 13. The Stated Clerk was instructed to inform East Pennsylvania Classis that, as the constituency of Ursinus School of Theology has expressed itself as unfavorable to the

consolidation of Theological Seminary, Synod deems it inexpedient to take any action in the premises.

Item 15, p. 14. The item to consider the propriety of making suitable provision for the widow of the late Rev. E. V. Gerhart was referred to a special committee, of which Rev. A. C. Whitmer is Chairman.

Special Meeting Held September 6, 1904, in St. Paul's Reformed Church, Reading, Pa.

Item 16. The declination of Rev. Theo. F. Herman of the Chair of Systematic Theology was received and confirmed.

Item 17. Rev. Christopher Noss was duly elected to the Chair of Systematic Theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., and the officers of Synod were instructed, after the election received due approval, to send him the constitutional call.

Item 18. Synod appointed a committee to attend to his inauguration, of which Rev. Chas E. Schaeffer is Chairman.

Respectfully submitted,

THOS. H. KRICK,

GEORGE D. FAHRENBACH, JAMES M. RUNKLE,

CYRUS ZELLNER, D. G. GLASS.

For the action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report, reference is herewith made as follows, to wit:

The items 1, 2, 3, 6, 7, 12, 13 and 14 were reported as having been attended to. Items 4, 8, 9 and 10 were referred to Committee on Nominations. See Art. XXII.—Miscellaneous. Item 5, a report was read by Prof. J. W. Knappenberger, and the subject matter referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. Wm. F. Lichliter, R. M. Kern and W. E. Harr. See Art. XV.—Finance. On item 11, report read by Rev. Thos. J. Hacker, D. D. See Art. XVIII.—Sunday-schools. On item 15, see Art XXII.—Miscellaneous. On item 16, officers of Synod report progress, and instruction reiterated.

ARTICLE IX.

OVERTURES.

The Report on Overtures was presented on Thursday, and disposed of at intervals item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The Report is as follows, to wit:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Standing Committee

on Overtures begs leave to report that the following papers have been placed in their hands which claim the attention of Synod, to wit:

Item 1. An invitation of Zion's Reformed church, Lehigh-ton, Pa., to Eastern Synod to hold its next annual sessions at that place.

Item 2. A communication from Dr. Jos. H. Dubbs, corresponding secretary of F. and M. College Board, informing this body that the term of office of Samuel P. Heilman, M. D., as a member of the Board of Trustees, expires with present year, and recommending his re-election.

Item 3. A communication of Rev. James N. Blatt, Librarian of Theological Seminary, Lancaster, pertaining to Lectures of Rev. Wm. Rupp, D. D., late Professor of Practical Theology, and your Committee would recommend purchase of a copy for the synodical archives.

Item 4. Presentation to Synod of book by Revs. A. Houtz, relative to his thirty-five years' experience in the ministry.

Item 5. An invitation from Consistory of St. Stephen's Reformed church, Reading, Rev. Thomas W. Dickert pastor, to hold its next annual sessions at that place.

Item 6. Invitation from St. John's Reformed church, Williamsport, Rev. Z. M. Runkle pastor, to hold its next annual sessions at that place.

Item 7. Annual Register of Franklin and Marshall College and Theological Seminary.

Item 8. Record of the year of Board of Foreign Missions in Reformed Church in United States.

Item 9. A communication of Rev. Thos. W. Dickert pertaining to Life of Rev. Calvin S. Gerhard, D. D.

Item 10. Report from the Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women.

Item 11. Report of the Superintendent of Bethany Orphans' Home.

Item 12. A report from Rev. H. H. Ranck pertaining to endowment of the Theological Seminary.

Item 13. A report relating to the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folk's Home located in Allentown, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,

THOMAS C. LEINBACH, ELDERS G. A. HOLLINGER,
G. W. ROYER, C. REIGERT.

For Synod's action on the several items contained in the foregoing report reference is made as follows, to wit:

On items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 9 see Art. XXII.—Miscellaneous; on item 7, see Art. XIII.—College and Seminary; on item 8 see Art. XIV—Missions; on item 10 see Art. XV—Finance; on items 11 and 13 see Art. XX—Orphans' Home and Other Benevolent Institutions; on item 12 see Art. XIII., on College and Seminary.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSES.

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes presented its report on the third day of the sessions. The report was duly considered item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes begs leave to report that the Minutes of the several Classes were placed in our hands, and from the records of these classical proceedings the following items are gathered and herein presented for your further consideration, namely:

I. Irregularities.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis (1) does not adopt the Minutes of the sessions of the last two days of its annual meeting; (2) fails to furnish schedule of subjects as provided in Art. 72 of the Constitution; (3) reports a special meeting of October 14, 1903, which was held before the meeting of Synod last year.

2. Lebanon Classis (1) fails to make any marginal references, except only in two instances; (2) fails to number the pages of its last four special meetings; (3) fails to attach its seal to the Minutes of seven special meetings and of an adjourned meeting; and instead of attaching its seal to the Minutes of the annual meeting and of a special meeting, gives the imprint of the seal on the first page of these Minutes; (4) fails to certify the Minutes either of the adjourned meeting or of any of its special meetings; (5) reports a special meeting of October 20, 1903, which was held before the meeting of Synod last year.

3. Philadelphia Classis fails to include in its report to Synod the Minutes of two special meetings.

4. East Susquehanna Classis (1) fails to complete its Minutes, there being no record to show that Minutes of each day's sessions were adopted; (2) fails to attach its seal to the Minutes of three special meetings; (3) reports a special meeting of July 14, 1903, which was held before the meeting of Synod last year.

5. Tohickon Classis (1) fails to certify the Minutes of a special meeting of June 5th, 1904, and fails to attach its seal to the Minutes either of said special meeting or of the annual meeting; (2) reports a special meeting of August 4, 1903, which was held before the meeting of Synod last year.

6. Lehigh Classis fails to give any marginal references in the Minutes of the annual meeting.

7. Schuylkill Classis (1) announces on its title page, "Minutes, of Annual and Special Meeting," but fails to report Minutes of any special meeting; (2) fails to furnish schedule of subjects as provided in Art. 72 of the Constitution; (3) fails to complete its Minutes, there being no record that Minutes of each day's sessions were adopted.

8. Wyoming Classis fails in a call for a special meeting to state when the meeting will be held.

9. Reading Classis (1) fails to attest the Minutes either of its annual meeting, of its adjourned meetings, or of its last special meeting; (2) fails to attach its seal to the Minutes of any of its meetings; (3) fails to number the pages of its Minutes.

II. Bequests.

East Susquehanna Classis desires to be informed as to whether or not the six cents per member requested for Church building is to be over and above the amount indicated in the regular apportionment.

West Susquehanna Classis respectfully requests the permission of Synod to use the amount apportioned for Church Building in the interest of the Lewistown mission to be used for the same purpose (page 41).

Lebanon Classis calls the attention of Synod to the departure from the rule laid down by the Synod at Wilkesbarre in reference to the publication of arrearages (p. 20).

III. Subjects Referred.

The several Classes took favorable action on the recommendations of Synod with the following exceptions:

East Susquehanna Classis does not approve of the "Improved method of beneficiary education (p. 27).

West Susquehanna Classis informs Synod that it begs to keep charge of its own Beneficiary Education Fund (p. 39).

Goshenhoppen Classis did not accept the apportionment for German Mission, (p. 95).

Lehigh Classis takes exception to items 1, 2, 5, 6, 7 and 8 in the report of Synod's Committee on "An Improved Method of Aiding Young Men in the Preparation for the Christian Ministry" (Vide Min. of Classis of '04, page 24).

Item 1. Lehigh Classis does not believe that beneficiary aid can be successfully raised by the apportionment system, as missionary funds are now raised, whereas each Classis will raise its own funds for students under its care.

Item 2. Lehigh Classis apprehends that there is great difficulty involved in this item.

Item 5. Lehigh Classis does not feel inclined to transfer its right of literary examination to the Board of Education.

Items 6, 7 and 8. Lehigh Classis does not approve of these items, but much prefers classical oversight of its beneficiaries and the financial considerations therein involved (p. 24, Minutes of Classis).

Wyoming Classis takes exception to the improved method of aiding worthy young men in the preparation for the Christian ministry as set forth in Synod's report, p. 29.

Philadelphia Classis does not accept the plan of aiding worthy young men in the preparation for the gospel ministry (Item 58, Minutes of Synod) (p. 8, Minutes of Classis), and the request concerning calling of roll to ascertain how many copies of "Messenger" are taken (Item, p. 113, Minutes of Synod) (p. 10, Minutes of Classis).

Lancaster Classis will not count "Messenger" subscribers (p. 36). Does not agree with the plan for Beneficiary Education as a whole (p. 47, 48). Considers it unwise and impracticable for Synod to provide the funds by apportionment for this work, but that this be done by Classes. It favors legal obligation (p. 47), but does not deem it wise to have

scholarship of merit nor to have a bureau to assist students to self-help (p. 48).

East Pennsylvania Classis does not approve of the 5th and last paragraph of item 10 of the plan of Beneficiary Education, referring to the personnel of the Bureau of information (p. 25).

Reading Classis *urges* Synod to adopt the plan for aiding worthy young men in their preparation for the gospel ministry.

IV. Appeals and Complaints.

None.

V. Charges that Paid Apportionment.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Catasauqua; Christ, Bethlehem; Dryland, Freemansburg; Grace, Northampton; West Bethlehem; Christ, Bath; St. Mark's, Easton; Bangor; Siegfried; Weisport; Howerton; North Bethlehem; Schoenersville; Tannersville; First Church, Easton; Plainfield; Grace, Easton; Pen Argyl; St. Peter's, Tatamy; Farmersville.

Lebanon Classis—Bethany; Tabor; St. John's and St. Mark's, Lebanon; Campbelltown and Annville; Swatara and Myerstown.

Lancaster Classis—St. Stephen's, Lancaster; First Church, Lancaster; New Holand; Salem, Hellers; Salem, Rohrsertown; Salem, Harrisburg; Fourth Church, Harrisburg; St. Luke's, Lancaster; Millersville; Reamstown; St. Paul's, Lancaster; Maytown; Christ Church, Elizabethtown; Second Church, Harrisburg; St. John's Church, Harrisburg; Faith Church, Lancaster; St. Andrew's, Lancaster; Manheim; First Church, Steelton; Willow Street; Zwingli, Harrisburg; Hummelstown; Quarryville; Shoop's Armstrong Valley; New Providence.

East Susquehanna Classis—Shamokin; Ashland; Tower City; Lykens; Sunbury and Catawissa.

Lehigh Classis—Zion's, St. John's, Salem's, Christ's, Grace, St. Andrew's and Dubbs Memorial, Allentown, Pa.; Egypt, Zion's, Slatington; Leighton; Lansford and Coplay.

Wyoming Classis—Weatherly; Milton; Zion's, Wilkes-Barre; Emanuel's, Hazleton; Emmanuel's, Freeland; Grace, Hazleton; St. John's, Bloomsburg; Mausdale; Calvary, Scranton; Fayette, N. Y.; Danville, Overton, Conyngham, St. Luke's, Wilkes-Barre, Plymouth and Berwick.

Schuylkill Classis—St. John's, Schuylkill Haven; Trinity, Pottsville; St. Mark's, Cressona; St. Paul's, Mahanoy City; Trinity, Shenandoah; St. John's, Tamaqua; Bethany Charge, Orwigsburg Charge, Zion's Church, Frackville Charge.

Reading Classis—First; Second; St. Paul's; St. John's; St. Stephen's; Calvary; St. Andrew's; St. Thomas'; Faith and St. James'; Schwartzwald; Leesport; St. Mark's, and Olivet.

VI. Licensed, Ordained, Received and Dismissed.

1. Eastern Pennsylvania Classis licensed James J. Schaffer, June 7, 1904, in Salem Reformed Church, at Catasauqua, Pa. Ordained, Licentiate H. J. Ehret, June 28, 1903, Farmersville Charge. Received, March 7, 1904, Rev. H. H. Rupp from Reading Classis; Rev. P. E. Heimer from Zion's Church, Potomac Synod; and September 19, 1904, Rev. J. E. Freeman from Goshenhoppen Classis. Dismissed, October 14, 1903, Rev. A. O. Bartholomew to Lancaster Classis; Rev. J. G. Dengler, November 30, 1903, to Lancaster Classis; Lic. R. A. Rinker, October 14, 1903, to Presbytery of Philadelphia North; and Rev. E. C. Hibschan, May 3, 1904, to Philadelphia Classis. Rev. H. M. Kieffer having united with the Episcopal Church, his name was stricken from the roll of Ministers of the Reformed Church.

2. Lebanon Classis licensed Frank S. Bromer, April 8, 1904; James N. Blatt, May 28, 1904. Ordained, Lic. Frank S. Bromer, April 10, 1904. Received Rev. Paul J. Dundore from Lancaster Classis, January 12, 1904; Rev. Henry Mosser, D. D., from Reading Classis, May 28, 1904; Rev. Jos. H. Schlappig from East Susquehanna Classis, May 28, 1904. Dismissed Rev. D. K. Laudenslager to Goshenhoppen Classis, October 20, 1903; Lic. Jas. N. Blatt to East Susquehanna Classis, July 28, 1904; Lic. Edwin D. Bright to Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod, August 25, 1904; Rev. Thomas M. Yundt to Reading Classis, May 30, 1904.

3. Philadelphia Classis ordained Lic. H. E. Bodder, February 2, 1904. Received January 12, 1904, Lic. H. E. Bodder from Tohickon Classis, and Rev. L. Bereczky from Evangelical Reformed Church of Hungary, District of Tisza; May 12, 1904, Rev. E. C. Hibshman from East Pennsylvania Classis; June 28, 1904, Rev. W. H. Stubblebine, Ph. D., from

North Carolina Classis (Potomac Synod) ; September 12, 1904, Rev. A. O. Reiter from Kansas Classis, (Synod of Interior). Dismissed December 17, 1903, Rev. J. O. Reagle to Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod ; January 26, 1904, Rev. R. L. Bair to Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod ; May 12, 1904, Rev. C. E. Wehler to North Carolina Classis (Potomac Synod) ; August 11, 1904, Rev. W. H. Stubblebine, Ph. D., to the Presbytery of St. Lawrence, New York ; September 12, 1904, Rev. H. A. Bomberger, D. D., to the Presbytery of Philadelphia North ; October 1, 1904, Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr., to Carlisle Classis (Potomac Synod) ; October 22, 1904, Rev. C. H. Coon, D. D., to the Reformed Episcopal Church, Synod of New York and Philadelphia.

4. Lancaster Classis licensed, May 18, 1904, Frederick A. Cook ; October 17, 1904, John W. Ault. Ordained, May 21, 1904, Geo. W. Spotts. Received, December 14, 1903, Rev. Jas. G. Dengler from East Pennsylvania Classis ; Rev. Edwin W. Lentz, February 29, 1904, from Goshenhoppen Classis ; Lic. Geo. W. Spotts, May 11, 1904, from East Susquehanna Classis ; Rev. H. H. Spahn, October 17, 1904, from West Susquehanna Classis ; Shell's congregation, July 12, 1904, from Lebanon Classis. Dismissed, Rev. Paul J. Dundore to Lebanon Classis ; Rev. J. M. Souder, February 4, 1904, to Virginia Classis (Potomac Synod) ; Lic. Kikutato Yoshida, May 17, 1904, to Miyagi Classis of Church of Christ in Japan ; Lic. Fred. A. Cook, June 30, 1904, to Maryland Classis (Potomac Synod) ; Rev. A. N. Stubblebine, August 29, 1904, to the Westminster Presbytery ; Rev. Fred. C. Hullherst, October 17, 1904, to the Presbytery of Nebraska City ; Rev. R. F. Reed, October 17, 1904, to East Pennsylvania Classis.

5. East Susquehanna Classis licensed, May 10, 1904, at Hegins, Pa., G. W. Spotts. Received, December 15, 1903, Rev. John Ugloky from Reformed Church, Hungary ; Rev. A. M. Schaffner from Westmoreland Classis, Synod of Pittsburg ; August 23, 1904, Lic. J. M. Blatt from Lebanon Classis. Dismissed, October 29, 1903, Rev. A. F. G. Apple to Juniata Classis (Potomac Synod) ; May 10, 1904, Lic. G. W. Spotts to Lancaster Classis ; May 11, 1904, J. H. Schlappig to Lebanon Classis. Rev. A. H. Hottenstein having died in March, 1904, and Rev. H. Hilbish, August 26, 1904, their names disappear from the roll.

6. West Susquehanna Classis ordained, July 9, 1903, Lic. Daniel Gress. Received, May 19, 1904, Lic. Jesse M. Mengel from Lehigh Classis; May 19, 1904, Rev. Samuel H. Stein from Carlisle Classis (Potomac Synod), and July 11, 1904, Rev. Earnest E. Weaver from Carlisle Classis (Potomac Synod). Dismissed, January 29, 1904, Rev. Warren J. Johnson to Juniata Classis (Potomac Synod), and October 11, 1904, Rev. H. H. Spahn to Lancaster Classis.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis licensed, May 10, 1904, Mr. H. Jerome Leinbach. Ordained, May 31, 1904, Lic. Harry Wayne Kochenderfer. Received, November 24, 1903, Rev. D. K. Laudenslager from Lebanon Classis; May 31, 1904, Lic. H. W. Kochenderfer from the Classis of Carlisle (Potomac Synod), and Lic. Geo. W. Lutz from Lehigh Classis; September 26, 1904, Rev. J. O. Oswald from the Classis of Lehigh. Dismissed, February 22, 1904, Rev. E. W. Lentz to the Lancaster Classis; April 11, 1904, Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach to the Reading Classis; May 10, 1904, Lic. H. Jerome Leinbach to Reading Classis; September 1, 1904, Rev. J. E. Freeman to East Pennsylvania Classis.

8. Tohickon Classis licensed, May 14, 1904, David B. Clark. Ordained, August 9, 1903, Karl A. Stein. Received Lic. J. O. Schell from Lehigh Classis.

9. Lehigh Classis licensed, May 16, 1904, Geo. W. Lutz, Jesse M. Mengel and Irvin P. Schell. Ordained, May 30, 1903, Lic. Simon Sippel at Macungie, Pa. Dismissed, February 5, 1904, Rev. Wm. H. Herbert to Wyoming Classis; March 17, 1904, Rev. L. J. Rohrbaugh to Iowa Classis (Synod of Interior); May 16, 1904, Lic. Geo. W. Lutz to Goshenhoppen Classis, and Lic. Jesse M. Mengel to West Susquehanna Classis; August 8, 1904, Lic. Irvin O. Schell to Tohickon Classis; September 9, 1904, Rev. Jas. O. Oswald to Goshenhoppen Classis. Received, March 17, 1904, Rev. Franklin H. Ruloff from Wyoming Classis, and September 9, 1904, Rev. Frederick C. Seitz from Gettysburg Classis (Potomac Synod).

10. Schuylkill Classis ———

11. Wyoming Classis licensed, May 27, 1904, A. C. Ohl. Ordained, October 27, 1903, Lic. Carl G. Petri. Received, April 20, 1904, Rev. W. H. Herbert from Lehigh Classis.

Dismissed, March 8, 1904, Rev. F. H. Ruloff to Lehigh Classis, and Lic. A. C. Ohl, May 27, 1904, to Zion's Classis (Potomac Synod).

12. Reading Classis licensed, May 16, 1904, Howard Ahrens Althouse and Lloyd Monroe Knoll. Ordained, May 29, 1904, Lic. H. Jerome Leinbach, in Olivet Church. Received, December 28, 1903, Rev. John F. Moyer from Juniata Classis (Potomac Synod); April 26, 1904, Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach from Goshenhoppen Classis; May 16, 1904, Lic. H. Jerome Leinbach, and July 18, 1904, Rev. Thos. M. Yundt from Lebanon Classis. Dismissed, February 8, 1904, Rev. Henry H. Rupp to East Pennsylvania Classis; April 26, 1904, Rev. Henry Mosser, D. D., to Lebanon Classis. Erased from the Register of Ministers January 12, 1904, the name of Rev. John A. Danner. The Licentiate Paul Samuel Bridenbaugh died August 31, 1904.

VII. Time and Place of the Next Annual Meeting.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis will meet on Monday, May 8, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in the Howerton Church, ——— Pa. Rev. M. N. George, President; J. G. Rupp, Stated Clerk; Rev. F. H. Moyer, Treasurer.

2. Lebanon Classis will meet Friday, May 12, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in Christ Reformed Church, Annville, Pa. Rev. W. F. DeLong, President; Rev. V. W. Dippell, Ph. D., Treasurer; Rev. W. D. Donat, Stated Clerk.

3. Philadelphia Classis will meet in annual session in St. Paul's Reformed Church, Fort Washington, Montgomery County, Pa., on Tuesday, May 9, 1905, at 8 p. m. Rev. E. F. Wiest, President; Rev. John H. Sechler, D. D., Stated Clerk and Treasurer, 3404 Powelton Avenue, Philadelphia, Pa.

4. Lancaster Classis will meet Thursday evening, April 27, 1905, at 7.30, in Zwingli Reformed Church, Harrisburg, Pa. Rev. D. G. Glass, President; Rev. D. W. Gerhard, D. D., Stated Clerk; Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D. D., Treasurer.

5. East Susquehanna Classis will meet May 29, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in St. David's Reformed Church, at Killingers, Pa. Rev. L. M. Fetterolf, President; Rev. J. Alvin Reber, Stated Clerk; Geo. Hill, Esq., Sunbury, Pa., Treasurer.

6. West Susquehanna Classis will meet in Trinity Re-

formed Church, Hublersburg, Centre county, Pa., first Wednesday of May, 1905, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. Ambrose M. Schmidt, President; Rev. Wm. A. Haas, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis will meet Monday, May 29, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in Zion's Reformed Church, Pottstown, Pa. Rev. Calvin M. DeLong, President; Rev. C. S. Wieand, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

8. Tohickon Classis will meet Monday after Ascension Day, June 5, 1905, at 7.30 p. m. Rev. J. J. Rothrock, President; Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D. D., Stated Clerk.

9. Lehigh Classis will meet on Monday, March 29, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in St. John's Reformed and Lutheran Church, Emaus, Lehigh county, Pa. Rev. John P. Bachman, President; Rev. D. E. Schoedler, D. D., Stated Clerk; Rev. Thomas J. Hacker, Treasurer.

10. Schuylkill Classis will meet Monday, May 8, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in Trinity Reformed Church, Pottsville, Pa. Rev. A. Lobach, President; Rev. W. D. Stoyer, Stated Clerk; Rev. O. H. Strunck, Treasurer.

11. Wyoming Classis will meet on second Monday in May, 1905, at 8 p. m., in St. John's Reformed Church, St. John's, Luzerne county, Pa. Rev. J. W. Bell, President; Rev. C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk; Rev. A. Houtz, Treasurer.

12. Reading Classis will meet May 1, 1905, at 7.45 p. m., in St. Andrew's Reformed Church, Reading, Pa. Rev. Chas. E. Schaeffer, President; Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D. D., Stated Clerk; Rev. John W. Steinmetz, D. D., Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN H. SECHLER,

J. G. RUPP,

WM. H. BRONG,

HARRISON HAHN,

SAM'L MOYER.

The several items under the head of "Irregularities" were adopted. The request of East Susquehanna Classis was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. D. W. Gerhard, D. E. Schaeffer and J. N. Faust. See Art. XV—Finance. The request of West Susquehanna Classis was granted. The request from Lebanon Classis was duly recognized by Synod, and in turn asks the aforesaid Classis to define as to what it means. The items under the III., V., VI. and VII. heads were severally adopted.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE, AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination and Licensure presented the following report which was adopted :

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD :

Your Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination beg leave to report that no papers were referred to us for consideration, nor has any one presented himself who demanded our time and attention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. G. KERSCHNER,
G. W. HARTMAN, CHAS. E. FREED,
E. E. KRESGE, HENRY THOMAS.

ARTICLE XII.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The report on the State of the Church was presented in the afternoon of Friday's session, and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD :

Dear Brethren: Your Committee on the State of Religion and Morals begs leave to submit the following report:

The reports submitted by the different Classes of the Synod, which your committee has carefully examined, afford abundant evidence of activity and prosperity throughout the Church. Much has been done in the way of church building and improvements in existing churches, and the congregational life generally is represented as normal and healthy, with an encouraging growth in members and in benevolent activity. These things, of course, lie on the surface, and there is a great deal in the power and efficiency of the gospel that cannot be gauged from the outside or become a matter of statistics; and for this reason the State of Religion and Morals cannot be wholly indicated by these reports. At the same time it is safe to assume that where these outward manifestations of vigorous life abound, there is also present the internal working of the Holy Spirit mediating to the believer the saving power of the Lord Jesus Christ, and bringing forth the fruits of love, peace, joy and holiness.

The statistical tables show an increase of 9 ministers, 7 congregations, 1,033 communicants, 4,202 communed, 49 adult baptisms, 45 dismissed, 327 erasures of names, 87 deaths of communicants, 30 deaths of unconfirmed, \$15,599 benevolent contributions, and \$54,630 for congregational purposes. There is a decrease of 1,636 in the number of unconfirmed, 38 Sunday-schools, 1,669 officers and teachers, 2,951 Sunday-school scholars, and 5 students for the ministry.

On the whole, there is reason to believe that, notwithstanding the strong tendency towards secularization in modern life and the assaults of infidelity in its various forms upon the verities of the Christian faith, the Church which this Synod represents stands firm and steadfast in its adhesion to the truths of the gospel, and cherishes with deep love and devotion her faith in her blessed Lord and Master, God manifest in the flesh, as her only hope and salvation. It is apparent, however, that the Church is also conscious of a crisis in the history of her theology, and of dangerous efforts from different quarters to undermine the sanctity of the Lord's Day, and to sacrifice the safeguards of morality in the interest of amusement or material gain. Under these conditions, watchfulness and prayer and the steadfast profession of a faith that works by love are more than ever necessary that the precious heritage which we have received from our fathers may be maintained, and that the Church may go forward like an army with banners to the conquest, not only of distant nations, but also to the permeation of all the forces of modern life with her own life and spirit.

During the past year the Church has suffered serious loss by the death of a number of active workers whose pleasure it was to labor in the Master's Vineyard, and whose good works have followed them into their Lord's presence. In addition to the facts given in the necrology prepared by the Stated Clerk, it is eminently proper that we should refer to the loss sustained by the Theological Seminary in the death of two honored professors, the Rev. William Rupp, D. D., and the Rev. E. V. Gerhard, D. D., LL. D. Dr. Rupp was not a member of this Synod, but it is fitting that we should record our appreciation of his ability and learning and his conscientious devotion to his work. In the death of Dr. Gerhart the Church

has lost one of her most eminent ministers and ablest teachers. Indeed, it is difficult to estimate the service which he rendered during a ministry continued beyond his eighty-sixth year with signal ability, unwearied industry, and an unswerving purpose to serve God and his fellow-men with a pure heart and a willing mind. In the ranks of the ministry, as President of Franklin and Marshall College, as professor in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church, on the floor of Synod and in his more private relations to his brethren in the ministry, he stood out as a model of courtesy, prudence and faithfulness, so that with full hearts we mourn his departure, cherish his memory, and rejoice in spirit that he now shares in the victory of just men made perfect in the presence of him in whom he believed and whom he served.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR, JAMES W. MEMINGER,
A. J. BACHMAN, HIRAM C. HOOVER,
CORNELIUS LOOSE.

Ministerial Necrology.

The following record prepared by the Stated Clerk, giving a brief history of the ministers of the Reformed Church, in connection with the Eastern Synod, who have died during the Synodical year, is herewith, as a slight tribute to their memory, respectfully submitted:

REV. A. R. HOTTENSTEIN.

Died March 4, 1904.

A. R. Hottenstein, the son of Jacob and Esther Hottenstein, was born March 3, 1835, at Mohrsville, Berks county, Pa. In 1854 he was received into full communion with the church at Paradise, Northumberland county, Pa., by Rev. Dr. Geo. Wolff. His early education was received in the public schools and in several other literary institutions. His theological course was completed at Mercersburg in 1861. He began his ministry in the Selinsgrove charge, consisting of five congregations, being licensed and ordained June 29, 1862, by West Susquehanna Classis. On March 25, 1865, he became pastor of the Berwick charge. In October, 1876, he accepted the Mahanoy charge, consisting of seven congregations, which he

served until 1885, when the charge was divided. In 1886 he moved to Mahanoy, the central part of the charge, where he continued in service to the close of his life.

He ended his career March 4, 1904, at the age of 69 years. A wife, son and granddaughter survive to mourn his departure. His body was interred in the cemetery of St. Peter's Church, at Mahanoy, on the 8th of March. The funeral services were attended by a large concourse of people, who had assembled to pay their last tribute to their friend and pastor.

REV. EMANUEL VOGEL GERHART, D. D., LL. D.

Died May 6, 1904.

Emanuel V. Gerhart was the son of Rev. Isaac and Sarah Gerhart *nee* Vogel, and was born June 13, 1817, at Freeburg, Pa. At the age of 16 he entered the High School at York, Pa., of which Rev. Fred. Aug. Ranck, deceased, was at the time principal.

He was graduated from Marshall College in 1838, and from the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg in 1841. He was licensed in 1841 by the Reformed Synod at Reading, Pa., and ordained in August, 1842, as pastor of the Grindstone Hill charge.

In 1843 he became pastor of the Gettysburg charge, consisting of four congregations, which he served six years. In 1849 he was commissioned as missionary to the foreign-born Germans in Cincinnati, O. In 1851 he was elected Professor of Systematic Theology in the Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O., and President of Heidelberg College.

In 1855 the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College elected him President of this institution and Professor of Mental and Moral Philosophy. In 1868 he was chosen to the Chair of Systematic Theology in the Theological Seminary, then located in Mercersburg, and removed in 1871 to Lancaster. He received the degree of D. D. from Jefferson College in 1857, and that of LL.D. from Franklin and Marshall College in 1887. He filled the position to which he was elected to the close of his eventful life with credit and the highest honor.

He died May 6, 1904, at the age of 86 years, 10 months and

23 days, and his body was laid to rest May 9, in the Lancaster Cemetery.

Dr. Gerhart was married January 3, 1843, to Miss Eliza Richenbach, Hagerstown, Pa., who died January, 1864, leaving three children—Col. Wm. R. Gerhart, Rev. R. Leighton Gerhart and Miss Virginia Gerhart. In August, 1865, he was married to Mrs. Mary Hunter, who entered into rest one year later; and on December 29, 1875, he was married to Miss Lucia D. Cobb, of Massachusetts, who, with his three surviving children, mourn his departure.

REV. THOMAS A. HUBER.

Died July 23, 1904.

Thomas A. Huber was the son of Elias and Susannah Huber, born August 25, 1844, in Springfield township, Bucks county, Pa. He was baptized and confirmed by the late Rev. Samuel H. Hess and educated in the public schools of his neighborhood. At the age of eighteen he located, with his parents, in South Bethlehem. He enlisted in the United States Army at the age of nineteen, and later on, on account of physical disabilities shortly after his enlistment, he received an honorable discharge.

He subsequently pursued his studies at the institutions at Lancaster, Pa. He was licensed in May, 1876, at Millers-town, Pa., by East Pennsylvania Classis, and ordained June 14th of the same year, at Broadheadsville, Pa. For ten years he served this charge, consisting of four congregations. In 1886 he became pastor of the charge at Bangor, Pa., which he served three years. In 1889 he accepted a call to Towamensing charge, which he served for three years, and in 1892 he went to Hazleton, where he continued his labors four years. During the later nine years of his life he was physically disabled. He died July, 1904, at the age of 59 years, 10 months and 10 days. The interment was made at the Stone Church, near Kreidersville, Pa.

He is survived by his wife, a daughter and two sons and four sisters, who mourn their bereavement. After prolonged sickness he was released from his suffering, and was permitted to enter into the "Saints' everlasting rest."

REV. HENRY HILBISH.

Died August 26, 1904.

Henry Hilbish was born at Freeburg, Snyder county, Pa. His early training was received in the public schools and the Freeburg Academy. His theological training for the Christian ministry was received from private tutors: he was ordained in 1857. Twenty years of his ministerial life was spent in the State of Ohio. During his ministry in that state he organized the First Reformed Church in Wooster, O. In 1880 he accepted a call from the Manheim charge in York county, Pa. He organized in 1884 the Second Reformed Church in Hanover, Pa., and continued five years in service as the pastor.

In May 1, 1889, he became pastor of the Reformed Church, Myerstown, Pa., and in 1891 of the Brownbach charge, Chester county, Pa., and in 1893 of the Bethel charge in Lebanon county, Pa., consisting of St. John's, Fredericksburg; St. Paul's, Hamlin; Mt. Zion, and Salem Reformed Church, Bethel. On account of failing health this pastoral relation was severed, and he lived in retirement in Fredericksburg, Pa. In 1903 he became pastor of a mission in Schuylkill county, consisting of two small congregations at McAdoo and Sheppton.

He died suddenly August 26, 1904, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. L. Heilman Rank, at Jonestown, Pa., at the age of 67 years, 11 months and 12 days. He is survived by his wife, three sons and four daughters. His funeral services were held in the Reformed Church at Jonestown, and his earthly remains were interred at Freeburg, Pa.

PAUL S. BRIDENBAUGH.

Died August 31, 1904.

Entered into eternal life at Reading, Pa., on Wednesday evening, August 31st, in St. Joseph's Hospital, and his mortal remains were laid to rest September 3d, in Charles Evans Cemetery.

The subject of this sketch was the second son of Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D. D., and his wife Lydia, *nee* Bowman, who was born February 6, 1880, in Berlin, Somerset county, Pa.

At the age of twelve years his parents removed to the city

of Reading, Pa. Here, for a season, he attended the public school, continuing his course of study later on in Carroll Institute. At the age of sixteen he entered Franklin and Marshall College at Lancaster, Pa., and was graduated in June, 1900.

The first year of his theological course was pursued in Union Seminary, New York; the second and third at the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, graduating in 1903. In June, during the same year, he was licensed by Reading Classis to preach the gospel.

He, however, continued his studies by taking a post-graduate course in the Divinity School at Harvard. He was taken seriously ill with typhoid fever, at his home in Reading. After an illness of two weeks he closed his earthly career at the age of 24 years, 6 months and 25 days. The last sermon that he preached was in the Second Church, Reading, during his father's absence in Europe, from the text, "Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are honorable, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report, if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things."

ARTICLE XIII.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE, THE EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND BOARD OF EDUCATION.

I. Reports on Franklin and Marshall College and Theological Seminary.

(a) Report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.

**TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH
IN THE UNITED STATES:**

At the late Commencement the following degrees were conferred. The degree of A. B. on the following members of the Senior class:

Walter M. Althouse,
John Walter Baker,
Franklin Gilbert Beam,
John Warfel Beyer,
Robert Arthur Beyer,
Jacob Foster Bitner,
James Alfred Boehm,
Daniel David Brendle,

George Michael Brillhart,
Henry Wadsworth Brubaker,
Lee Marcus Erdman,
Herman Edgar Fegley,
Charles William Freed,
John Fulton,
John Mitchell Garbrick,
Josiah William Gitt, Jr.,

Ralph Hostetter Gochenaur,
 Raymond Rogers Gregory,
 Robert Keller Hershey,
 Martin Clement Hoffman.
 Eden Amram Hower,
 Ara Willis Kauffman,
 Amos Engle Kraybill,
 Joseph Sell Laurence,
 John Nathan Levan,
 Angus Leroy Lightner,
 Samuel Linford Moyer,
 Edwin Allen Nace,
 James Rumbaugh Peterson,

Paul Bertram Rupp,
 Theodore Franklin Rupp,
 Asa Arthur Schaeffer,
 Forrest Grimm Schaeffer,
 John Ahlum Schaeffer,
 Robert L. Schaeffer,
 Dennis Sipple,
 John Wilson Sprecher,
 Edward Wentz Stick,
 Roland Brubaker Styer,
 John Scholl Hosterman,
 William Curtis Truxal,
 Martin Weaver Witmer.

The degree of Ph. B. on the following:

John Elmer Groff,
 Peter Monroe Harbold,

Edwin Clark Herr,
 Edgar Apple Slagle,
 Luther Ferree Witmer.

The degree of A. M. in course on the following graduates of the College:

Henry Clay Eschbach, M. D., 1880.
 Jackson Taylor, 1900.
 John Hacke Bortz, 1901.
 Forry Rohrer Getz, 1901.
 Harry Garfield Hartman, 1901.
 James Naftzinger Blatt, 1901.

Henry Irvin Stahr, 1901.
 John Samuel Staudt, 1901.
 George Leicester Thomas, 1901.
 Charles Roy Fisher, 1900.
 Richard Courtney Rengier, 1901.
 William Garfield Fox, 1900.

At the request of the Faculty and Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary, the degree of B. D. was conferred on the Rev. Frederick W. Bald, of Clearspring, Md.

The honorary degree of D. D. was conferred on the Rev. Hiram King, Somerset, Pa., and the Rev. Darius W. Gerhard, Lancaster, Pa.

During the past year the College has enjoyed an encouraging degree of prosperity. The enrollment for the year 1903-1904 shows an increase of sixteen students in the College and twenty-two in the Academy. At the opening of the fall term of the year 1904-1905 the College had the largest accession of new students in its history—seventy-one in all, fifty-five Freshmen and special students, fourteen Sophomores and two Seniors. There are also four graduate students enrolled who are prosecuting a special course of study in the institution.

The only changes in the faculty were in the departments of Oratory and Physical Culture. Prof. John M. Chambers, A. M., was appointed to the former position, the authorities of the Seminary concurring, and his work has been very satisfactory. In the department of Physical Culture, Mr. David R. Brown was appointed at the beginning of the year. Mr. Brown withdrew in December and Mr. Luther F. Witmer was appointed for the remainder of the season. At the beginning of the present year Mr. William P. Bates, of Providence, R. I., was appointed to the position of Physical Instructor.

The financial condition of the College and the prosecution of the scheme for a larger endowment, as will appear from the report of the treasurer and of the president's assistant, Prof. Edwin M. Hartman, present many encouraging features. The net income of the College for the year was \$19,195.71. The expenses were \$23,850.92, leaving an excess of expense over receipts of \$4,655.21. For the year ending June, 1903, the excess was \$6,138.69, making a difference in favor of last year of \$1,483.48.

The debt on the Science Building was diminished by \$7,492.35, leaving still a balance due of \$13,772.24.

The endowment funds in June, 1903, amounted to \$208,705.13; in 1904, \$234,645.56—an increase of \$25,940.43.

To carry forward auspiciously the work begun in connection with the Golden Jubilee of the College, it was found expedient to appoint an assistant to the president, who should devote his time to the collection of funds and the presentation of the cause of the College before the community, so as to secure new students and make the College more generally known. Prof. Edwin M. Hartman, of Franklin and Marshall Academy, was appointed to this position, and he has prosecuted the work with unwearied zeal and energy and with very gratifying results. He reports that the amount pledged up to last Commencement to the larger endowment of the College (toward which \$150,000 was to be raised) was the sum of \$73,072.00. Of this amount about \$31,000 has been paid into the hands of the treasurer, including, however, \$5,000 of specific endowment and \$2,500 for a purpose not definitely specified, which are not included in the endowment as reported above. The remainder is in the form of pledges, all of which are believed

to be good, and it is hoped they will be paid in due time. In addition to the work done by Prof. Hartman, the College has received a bequest of \$1,500 from the estate of the late Francis R. Boyer, of Hellertown, and a number of valuable gifts to the Library and the Museum of the College. Among the latter are three paintings presented to the Science Building by the family of the late Mr. B. Wolff, Jr., of Pittsburgh, Pa.: "The Three Women of Crevecoeur," by Willkamp; "An Egyptian Fellaah-Woman," by Ch. Landelle; "Jealousy," by J. F. Portaels. Also the beautiful collection of birds, belonging to Dr. Raub, of Lancaster city; deer's heads and a beautiful mounted specimen of elk, by Mr. A. C. Kepler, of Lancaster, and deer's heads by Dr. S. T. Davis, of Lancaster city.

It is highly important that the work begun at the Golden Jubilee, and carried forward with such gratifying success during the past year, should be continued in the same spirit until crowned with the full measure of success anticipated by the friends of the College. Prof. Hartman's work has not only resulted in securing large additions to the endowment and a large accession of new students, but it has also secured attention and good-will of the people in different parts of the Church to an unusual degree, and the benefit of the work done in this way will be manifest in years to come. It is earnestly hoped, therefore, that the three synods will take such action as will insure the continuance of this work and the speedy accomplishment of the undertaking in all its various aspects.

The president of the College, through the courtesy of the Board of Trustees, obtained leave of absence from the College during the latter part of the last college year, which enabled him to secure much needed rest and the inspiring benefit of travel in foreign countries. He regrets that for this reason it was necessary for him to be absent from College at the late Commencement, but he has the satisfaction of knowing that all the work was successfully and carefully attended to by Dr. Dubbs, the acting president, and his colleagues in the faculty, for all of which he desires to record his sincere appreciation and gratitude.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR, *President.*

(b) Report of the Board of Visitors of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES:

Brethren: The Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States submits to your reverend body its report for the year 1903-1904:

1. The Board met in Lancaster, May 3-5, 1904, and organized by electing the following officers: President, Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D. D.; secretary, Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D. D. Prior to its annual meeting, the Board met on March 22, 1904. The causes which led to this special session, and which were followed by three vacancies in the Seminary faculty, have been fully set forth in the report made to the synods which met in June, 1904.

At the opening of the Seminary in September, 1904, it was found that two of the vacancies in the faculty had been filled, viz., the chair of New Testament Exegesis and the chair of Practical Theology. No immediate provision had been made for the department of Systematic Theology, except that to it Professors Gast and Richards each had kindly offered to give one hour per week. Realizing the necessity of making larger provision for this department, the Board effected the arrangement specified under Item 2 of this report. We are pleased to say that the Theological Seminary is well equipped for thorough work and that a kind Providence has dispelled the clouds which overshadowed the institution at the close of the Seminary year.

2. After consultation with the faculty and with the president and treasurer of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors requested Rev. John G. Noss to assist in the department of Systematic Theology until that chair is filled. He has responded favorably to our request, and is now engaged in teaching three hours per week, as follows: Senior Class, Constitution of the Church; Middle Class, Dogmatics; Junior Class, Catechism.

3. The Seminary year began September 10, 1903, when the following persons were admitted to the Junior Class: J. Frank Bucher, Guy P. Bready, William M. Diefenderfer, Robert S. Edris, George K. Ely, J. Albert Eyler, John F. Frantz, Roy

J. Freeman, Edward A. G. Herman, L. Valmore Hetrick, David B. Kline, Thomas M. Kressly, Elmer G. Leinbach, Frederick M. Richards, J. Arthur Schaeffer, Morris G. Schucker, Elam J. Snyder, J. Monroe Shellenberger, Chalmers W. Walck, Milton Whitener, L. Nevin Wilson—total 21.

4. The members of the Junior Class, reported as such in May, 1903, were advanced, and constituted the Middle Class from September, 1903, to May, 1904. To this there is one exception: John F. Bucheit suspended his seminary studies during the year to serve as an instructor in the Franklin and Marshall Academy. Middlers, 11.

5. The Senior Class pursued the full course of study prescribed by the Board, passed a satisfactory examination, and on their graduation, May 5, 1904, received the testimonial of approval. They are: James N. Blatt, John Barner Bloom, David B. Clark, Albert J. Collison, Frederick A. Cook, H. Jerome Leinbach, George Wellington Lutz, Jesse M. Mengel, James J. Schaeffer, Irwin O. Schell, George W. Spotts. It is worthy of note that all the members of this class but three can officiate in German and English. Total 11.

6. The conduct, character, proficiency and practical activity of the student-body were satisfactory. The Church may look forward to efficient spiritual services which the graduated class and the classes following will render.

7. During the summer of 1903, John Quincy Adams, professor of Oratory, resigned. Professor John Milton Chambers was elected to the vacancy, and has served with credit to himself and to the satisfaction of the Seminary and College. Arrangements have been made with the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College to retain the services of Professors Chambers, and the synods are hereby respectfully asked to provide our share of the expense, viz., \$750, in the following proportions: Eastern Synod, \$375; Pittsburgh Synod, \$125; Synod of the Potomac, \$250.

8. At the request of Rev. F. A. Gast, D. D., the Board appointed Mr. Irvine Hoch DeLong assistant instructor in the Old Testament Department. It authorized and requested Professor Gast to arrange with Mr. DeLong to enter upon his work September, 1905. We hereby submit the reasons for the above action, together with the request for synodical aid

needed to make it effective: After a continuous service of almost thirty-three years in the Theological Seminary, Dr. Gast feels the necessity of reducing the amount of his work. Twelve hours a week are too heavy for one at the age of nearly threescore years and ten. Dr. Gast proposes to apply one-half of his salary to the support of the assistant, this amount to be supplemented by \$250 to be paid by the Synod, making the salary of the assistant \$1,000. The action is proposed one year in advance of the time the assistant is expected to enter upon his duties, in order to secure the services of one admirably qualified in all respects for the work. Mr. DeLong is a graduate of the Seminary, is now prosecuting his studies, and is engaged in original work in Europe, and is well known among Semitic scholars. The Eastern Synod is respectfully asked to appropriate \$250 towards the support of Mr. Irwin Hoch DeLong as assistant instructor in the Old Testament Department.

9. The Board has appointed a Committee on Endowment, to aid similar committees of the Board of Trustees and of the synods when its services are needed. The members of the committee are Rev. B. B. Ferer, D. D., Rev. A. J. Heller, D. D., and Rev. J. Spangler Kieffer, D. D.

10. The term of the following members expires December, 1904: Eastern Synod—Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D. D., Rev. James Crawford, D. D., and Rev. H. M. Kieffer, D. D. Synod of the Potomac—Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D. D., and Rev. J. W. Santee, D. D.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary*.

Harrisburg, Pa., October 11, 1904.

(c) Report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Dear Brethren: Enclosed find the annual report of John B. Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa.

During the past year the Board held two regular meetings. The first meeting was held May 5th, 1904, when the following officers were elected: President, John W. Appel, Esq.;

Vice-president, John D. Skiles; Treasurer, John B. Roth, and Secretary, Jeremiah S. Hess.

The second meeting was held October 18th, 1904.

The committee appointed to co-operate with similar committees to be appointed by the Board of Visitors and the three Synods, relative to the increased endowment of the Theological Seminary, are as follows: John W. Appel, Esq., John D. Skiles, John B. Roth, Jacob H. Shriver and William R. Barnhart.

The announcement of the death of Mr. George N. Forney, of Hanover, Pa., at the age of 73 years, was received by the present members of the Board of Trustees with feelings of profound sorrow, whereupon the following tribute to his memory was adopted and ordered to be spread upon the minutes:

Mr. Forney was elected to membership on the Board by the Synod of the Potomac, in the year 1890. In 1893 he was honored by unanimous election to the Presidency of the Board, which position he held for a period of eight years, until the time of his retirement in May, 1901. By his superior business talents and his attractive personal qualities, he soon won the respect, confidence and love of his fellow-members. Punctually and faithfully he met every requirement of his office. He presided with dignity and grace, and with a devotion akin to enthusiasm, exhibited intense interest in the welfare of the Seminary. For five years he served in the Building Committee as one of its most active and efficient members.

The Board is gratified to learn that Mr. Forney's love for and devotion to the Theological Seminary will be perpetuated through its future history by a generous legacy, devised by his last will and testament. With gratefulness it makes record of his beneficence.

While with the bereaved wife, daughter and many friends the members of the Board mourn his departure, they cherish the memory of their former colleague, not only as one faithful in the highest degree to his official trust, but as one whose genial disposition, urbane spirit and courteous manner entitled him to high rank as a Christian gentleman.

In response to a communication to the faculty, the following resolutions were adopted:

Resolved, That the three Synods be requested to appoint

a Seminary Day, which is to be observed annually in all the congregations, on which day the interests of the Seminary shall be presented to the people by the pastors, urging the importance of the consecration of suitable young men to the ministry, and pointing out the needs of the Seminary in general. (The day suggested by the faculty was the first Sunday in November.)

Resolved, That the three Synods be requested to appoint a committee on Current Expenses and the Endowment Fund (if not already appointed), to co-operate with similar committees of the Board of Trustees and the Faculty.

The Board appointed a committee to secure the lot between the Seminary grounds and Prof. Bowman's residence.

The following resolution was also adopted:

Resolved, That the three Synods be requested to provide \$3,000 for current expenses in the following ratio: Eastern Synod, \$1,500; Potomac Synod, \$1,000; Pittsburg Synod, \$500.

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS, *Secretary*.

The terms of the following members expire December, 1904: John J. Nissley, Hummelstown, Pa.; John B. Roth, Lancaster, Pa.; John W. Appel, Esq., Lancaster, Pa.

(d) Report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

LANCASTER, PA., *October 1st, 1904.*

John B. Roth, treasurer, in account with the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

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For interest received of—		
Oct. 1.	E. S. Lamar.....	\$7.50
Oct. 1.	E. M. Eshleman to Oct. 1, 1903.....	100.00
Oct. 3.	Geo. W. Schroyer to Oct. 1, 1903.....	95.00
Oct. 5.	E. S. Stehman to Oct. 1, 1903.....	60.00
Oct. 15.	P. M. Ermantrout to Sept. 1, 1903.....	212.50
Oct. 16.	Cook Legacy to Oct. 1, 1903.....	30.00
Oct. 16.	Kieffer Legacy on account.....	155.00
Oct. 22.	Kieffer Legacy on account.....	62.50
Oct. 22.	C. S. Herr, mortgage to Oct. 1, 1903....	100.00
Oct. 22.	W. U. Hensel, treasurer, to Oct. 1, 1903.	50.00
Nov. 7.	Sunbury, Hazleton and Wilkesbarre to Nov. 1, 1903.....	28.00
Nov. 7.	Scranton Bond to Nov. 1, 1903.....	30.00
Nov. 7.	Baltimore & Harrisburg to Nov. 1, 1903.	23.00

Nov. 7.	West End Traction to Nov. 1, 1903.....	2.50
Nov. 9.	Jno. G. Fritchey, treasurer First Reformed church.....	20.84
Nov. 12.	W. H. Rineer on account.....	20.00
Nov. 18.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, D. D., telephone....	3.00
Nov. 18.	Julia and W. P. Withers to date.....	226.67
Nov. 20.	Wm. C. Armstrong to Oct. 1, 1903.....	137.50
Nov. 30.	Penna. R. R. Bonds, Nov., 1903, dividend.	91.50
Dec. 1.	Lehigh Valley R. R. Bonds to date.....	150.00
Dec. 10.	Sue R. Wolfersberger to Apr. 1, 1903....	5.00
Dec. 31.	Washington & Lake Erie Bonds to Jan. 1, 1904.....	150.00
1904.		
Jan. 11.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co. to Jan. 1, 1904..	20.00
Jan. 19.	H. Wood Flinn to Jan. 1, 1904.....	62.50
Jan. 23.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, D. D., telephone....	3.00
Jan. 23.	John G. Fritchey, treasurer, to date.....	5.74
Feb. 3.	Salem Coal Co. Bonds to Feb. 1, 1904...	25.00
Feb. 9.	Sue R. Wolfersberger on account, int...	25.00
Feb. 13.	John G. Fritchey, treasurer, to date.....	.97
Mar. 1.	Springfield Water Bonds to Mar. 1, 1904.	37.50
Mar. 1.	Berwyn Water Bonds to Mar. 1, 1904....	60.00
Mar. 5.	A. A. Fritz to Apr. 1, 1904.....	58.75
Mar. 8.	I. G. Wesley to Apr. 1, 1904.....	48.00
Mar. 28.	Edith Smithgall to Apr. 1, 1904.....	27.50
Mar. 28.	Benj. S. Shindle to Apr. 1, 1904.....	125.00
Mar. 30.	C. S. Herr to Apr. 1, 1904.....	100.00
Mar. 30.	W. C. Armstrong to Apr. 1, 1904.....	137.50
Mar. 30.	John B. Roth, Jr., to Apr. 1, 1904.....	112.50
Mar. 31.	Mrs. Lillie Bushong to Apr. 1, 1904.....	125.00
Interest paid—		
Apr. 1.	S. I. Johnson to Apr. 1, 1904.....	75.00
Apr. 1.	E. M. Eshleman to Apr. 1, 1904.....	100.00
Apr. 1.	Simon Shissler to Apr. 1, 1904.....	62.50
Apr. 4.	Geo. Shroyer to Apr. 1, 1904.....	95.00
Apr. 4.	John Bassler to Apr. 1, 1904.....	27.50
Apr. 7.	East Susquehanna Classis to Apr. 1, 1904.	8.92
Apr. 7.	E. H. Perry, mortgage, to Feb. 18, 1904.	60.00
Apr. 9.	Amos Christ to Apr. 1, 1904.....	90.00
Apr. 9.	W. U. Hensel, treasurer, to Apr. 1, 1904.	50.00
Apr. 15.	Kieffer Legacy to Apr. 1, 1904.....	257.50
Apr. 15.	Cook Legacy to Apr. 1, 1904.....	30.00
Apr. 15.	W. T. Hambright to Apr. 17, 1904.....	75.00
Apr. 25.	Lehigh Classis to Apr. 1, 1904.....	15.00
Apr. 25.	Sue R. Wolfersberger on account.....	25.00
May 2.	P. M. Ermantrout to Apr. 1, 1904.....	153.75
May 2.	Sunbury, Hazleton & Wilkesbarre Bonds	

		to May 1, 1904.....	28.00	
May	2.	Baltimore & Harrisburg Bonds to May 1, 1904.....	23.00	
May	2.	Scranton Traction Bonds to May 1, 1904.	30.00	
May	2.	West End Traction Bonds to May 1, 1904.	2.50	
May	2.	Lancaster Traction Bonds to Apr. 1, 1904.	137.50	
May	17.	W. H. Rineer on account.....	20.00	
May	30.	Penna. R. R. Stock, dividend on 75 shares.	112.50	
June	1.	Lehigh Valley R. R. Bonds.....	150.00	
June	4.	Chas. H. Locher to date.....	112.50	
June	30.	Washington & Lake Erie to July 1, 1904.	150.00	
July	5.	H. Wood Flinn to July 1, 1904.....	62.50	
July	23.	On Loan to May 7, 1905.....	5.00	
Aug.	1.	Salem Coal Bonds to Aug. 1, 1904.....	25.00	
Aug.	1.	Harrisburg Bridge Co., to Aug. 1, 1904..	5.00	
Aug.	27.	East Susquehanna Classis to date.....	2.48	
Aug.	29.	A. A. Fritz to Oct. 1, 1904.....	58.75	
Sept.	2.	Springfield Water Bonds to Sept. 1, 1904.	37.50	
Sept.	2.	Berwyn Water Bonds to Sept. 1, 1904...	60.00	
Sept.	8.	E. H. Perry, mortgage, to Aug. 18, 1904.	60.00	
Sept.	15.	Sue E. Wolfersberger to Apr. 1, 1904...	25.00	
Sept.	15.	Geo. Richards, D. D., to Sept. 11, 1904..	15.00	
Sept.	26.	Endowment Fund balance, by Seminary Aid Fund.....	528.77	
Sept.	26.	Edith Smithgall to Oct. 1, 1904.....	27.50	
Sept.	28.	E. M. Eshleman to Oct. 1, 1904.....	100.00	
Sept.	30.	Lancaster Traction Co. to Oct. 1, 1904..	137.50	
Sept.	30.	E. E. Smith Notes to Oct. 1, 1904.....	569.09	
Sept.	30.	Benj. S. Shindle to Oct. 1, 1904.....	125.00	
Sept.	30.	John B. Roth, Jr., to Oct. 1, 1904.....	112.50	
Sept.	30.	Balance of Seminary Aid Fund charged to treasurer as income to Oct. 1, 1904..	1,453.57	
Oct.	1.	Amount balance due Endowment Fund..	8,150.97	
				\$16,186.77

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1903.		By amount due Endowment Fund to date:	
Oct.	1.	Balance due Endowment Fund to date...	\$7,646.28
		Amount paid—	
Oct.	7.	Penna. Telephone Co. to Jan. 1, 1904....	9.00
Oct.	7.	Electric Light Co. to Oct. 1, 1903.....	1.00
Oct.	7.	Postoffice-box rent to Jan. 1, 1904.....	1.00
Oct.	15.	J. M. Chambers, on account, salary.....	75.00
Oct.	16.	Seminary advertisement in Potomac Synod Souvenir.....	3.00
Oct.	17.	Seminary water bill, by meter.....	7.25

Nov. 2.	E. V. Gerhart, D. D., on account, salary..	200.00
Nov. 2.	F. A. Gast, D. D., on account, salary....	200.00
Nov. 2.	G. W. Richards, D. D., on account, salary.	200.00
Nov. 2.	Seminary Electric Light bill to Oct., 1903.	4.17
Nov. 2.	John B. Roth, Jr., on salary.....	40.00
Nov. 7.	Interest on Becker property to H. S. Rich, agent.....	6.70
Nov. 18.	Seminary advertisement in Reformed Church "Messenger".....	90.00
Nov. 18.	Seminary advertisement in Reformed Church Publication Board.....	23.00
Nov. 23.	Lancaster Trust Co. security on treasurer's bond.....	50.00
Nov. 24.	Fred. Pontz, bill for hay.....	16.09
Dec. 1.	E. V. Gerhart, D. D., salary to Jan. 1, 1904.....	175.00
Dec. 1.	F. A. Gast, D. D., salary to Jan. 1, 1904.	175.00
Dec. 1.	G. W. Richards, D. D., salary to Jan. 1, 1904.....	175.00
Dec. 1.	J. M. Chambers, salary to Jan. 1, 1904...	75.00
Dec. 10.	Seminary electric light for Nov., 1903...	5.63
Dec. 17.	John B. Roth, Jr., treasurer, salary to Jan. 1, 1904.....	85.00
Dec. 23.	James Smithgall, salary on account.....	50.00
Dec. 31.	Wm. Wohlsen's bill.....	.25
1904.		
Jan. 1.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, on account.....	75.00
Jan. 4.	Seminary electric light bill for Dec., 1903.	2.25
Jan. 5.	Postoffice-box rent to Apr. 1, 1904.....	1.00
Jan. 5.	Penna. Telephone Co. to Apr. 1, 1904....	9.00
Jan. 11.	L. B. Harr, bill.....	1.50
Jan. 21.	Flinn & Breneman, bill to date.....	9.71
Jan. 23.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to Jan. 1, 1904.....	12.10
Jan. 23.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, water bill, by meter, to Jan. 1, 1904.....	.45
Feb. 1.	Seminary electric light bill for Jan., 1904.	3.38
Feb. 1.	Lancaster Sheet Metal Co., bill in full..	3.77
Feb. 2.	Eyer Spyker Co., coal bill in full.....	47.43
Feb. 2.	Penna. R. R. Co., freight on coal.....	36.59
Feb. 2.	H. Gorrecht & Son, hauling coal.....	8.10
Feb. 2.	E. V. Gerhart, D. D., on salary.....	200.00
Feb. 2.	F. A. Gast, D. D., on salary.....	200.00
Feb. 2.	Geo. W. Richards, D. D., on salary.....	200.00
Feb. 2.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary to Apr. 1, 1904.....	75.00
Feb. 4.	Seminary gas bill.....	.75

Feb. 17.	Herr & Snavely, bill.....	.70
Feb. 17.	Reilly Bros. & Raub, bill.....	.56
Feb. 17.	Postage and stamps.....	2.00
Feb. 18.	James Smithgall on salary account.....	25.00
Feb. 29.	Lancaster Paint and Glass Co., bill.....	3.05
Mar. 1.	Seminary electric light bill for Feb., 1904.	5.19
Mar. 2.	E. V. Gerhart, D. D., salary to Apr. 1, 1904.....	175.00
Mar. 2.	F. A. Gast, D. D., salary to Apr. 1, 1904.	175.00
Mar. 2.	G. W. Richards, D. D., salary to Apr. 1, 1904.....	175.00
Mar. 10.	John B. Roth, Jr., Treas., salary account.	50.00
Mar. 18.	Insurance on Seminary stable to Mar. 12, 1907.....	6.00
Mar. 28.	Jas. Smithgall, salary janitor to Apr. 1, 1904.....	135.00
Mar. 30.	John B. Roth, Jr., Treas., salary to Apr. 1, 1904.....	75.00
Apr. 1.	Seminary electric light bill, Mar., 1904.	5.63
Apr. 1.	Herr & Snavely, bill.....	5.25
Apr. 4.	Geo. W. Richards, D. D., salary to July 1, 1904.....	375.00
Apr. 4.	G. W. Metzger, bill for repairs to Semi- nary.....	53.29
Apr. 4.	Geo. W. Nolty & Bro., bill.....	4.60
Apr. 7.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, on account salary.	75.00
Apr. 7.	Penna. Telephone Co. to July, 1904.....	9.00
Apr. 8.	Postoffice-box rent.....	1.00
Apr. ■	Bill of Seminary Catalogues ("Exam- iner").....	106.42
Apr. 11.	Shreiner & Stauffer's bill.....	10.83
Apr. 12.	Deitz Library Fund to Apr. 1, 1904.....	200.00
Apr. 12.	Deitz Prize Fund to Apr. 1, 1904.....	100.00
Apr. 12.	Schaffer Prize Fund to May 8, 1904....	94.20
Apr. 12.	Bill of brushes for Seminary.....	2.25
Apr. 26.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to Apr. 1, 1904.....	10.15
Apr. 26.	J. C. Bowman, D. D., water bill, by meter, to Apr. 1, 1904.....	6.60
Apr. 26.	D. B. Landis, printing bill.....	4.00
Apr. 29.	Postage for Catalogues.....	14.00
May 2.	Seminary electric light bill to May 1, 1904.	1.58
May 2.	Seminary Class '92 Prize Fund to May 8, 1904.....	24.15
May 2.	E. V. Gerhart, D. D., on salary account..	200.00
May 2.	F. A. Gast, D. D., on salary account....	200.00
May 2.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, on salary to July (J), 1904.....	75.00

May 4	Lancaster Gas Co.....	75
May 5	C. C. Hall, D. D., expenses as Seminary lecturer.....	27.50
May 7	City water tax Seminary houses, 1904..	34.20
May 13	D. B. Landis, bill.....	4.75
May 17	Baumgardner Co., coal bill.....	11.25
May 21	John B. Roth, Jr., Treas., on account salary.....	60.00
May 27	Seminary fire ins. policies to May 30, 1909.	420.00
May 31	James Smithgall, account salary.....	50.00
May 31	James Smithgall, sundry bills.....	2.50
June 2	Seminary electric light bill, May, 1904..	2.60
June 2	Seminary advertisement in "College Student".....	6.00
June 3	E. V. Gerhart's executors to July 1, 1904.	175.00
June 3	F. A. Gast, D. D., salary to July 1, 1904.	175.00
June 6	John B. Roth, Jr., Treas., salary to July 1, 1904.....	65.00
June 6	Seminary advertisement in "Obituary Record".....	12.50
June 30	B. B. Martin & Co., lumber bill.....	11.02
June 30	Adams & Eckman, coal bill.....	18.75
July 1	Seminary electric light bill, June, 1904..	1.00
July 1	Postoffice-box rent.....	1.00
July 1	Penna. Telephone Co., bill, Oct., 1904....	9.00
July 2	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary account....	100.00
July 5	A. H. Eshleman, bill printing.....	15.65
July 11	Baumgardner & Co., coal bill, July 7, 1904.	180.00
July 18	John B. Roth, Jr., Treas., on salary.....	50.00
July 19	Seminary water bill to July, 1904.....	6.75
July 25	James Smithgall, janitor, salary account.	50.00
July 28	Seminary "Missionary Alliance" bill....	28.12
July 30	"The Christian World," Seminary advertisement.....	6.00
Aug. 1	Executors of E. V. Gerhart, D. D., deceased.....	200.00
Aug. 1	F.A. Gast, D. D., on salary account....	200.00
Aug. 1	Geo. W. Richards, D. D., on salary account.....	200.00
Aug. 6	Seminary electric light bill, Aug., 1904..	1.75
Aug. 6	John B. Roth, Jr., Treas., account salary.	25.00
Aug. 12	Herman Wohlsen's bill in full.....	38.50
Aug. 18	Jas. Smithgall, bill of work.....	35.00
Aug. 19	Mr. Brown, bill of work.....	1.50
Aug. 19	A. H. Eshleman, bill of painting.....	6.50
Sept. 1	Mr. Shreiner, bill.....	34.91
Sept. 1	Lancaster Paint Co.....	2.00
Sept. 1	Seminary electric light bill for Aug., 1904.	1.00

Sept. 1.	Estate E. V. Gerhart, in full to Oct. 1, 1904.....	175.00	
Sept. 1.	F. A. Gast, D. D., in full to Oct. 1, 1904.....	175.00	
Sept. 1.	G. W. Richards, D. D., in full to Oct. 1, 1904.....	175.00	
Sept. 1.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, in full to Oct. 1, 1904.....	50.00	
Sept. 1.	John B. Roth, Jr., Treas., in full to Oct. 1, 1904.....	50.00	
Sept. 8.	B. B. Martin & Co., in full.....	12.67	
Sept. 9.	Chas. Ream's bill.....	1.20	
Sept. 14.	Interest paid Henry Wirth, Alcove Fund, Oct. 1, 1904.....	45.00	
Sept. 14.	Interest paid Louis E. Schriver, Alcove Fund, Oct. 1, 1904.....	45.00	
Sept. 14.	Interest paid Jacob Forney, Alcove Fund, Oct. 1, 1904.....	45.00	
Sept. 14.	Interest paid Seminary Library, Alcove Fund, Oct. 1, 1904.....	52.80	
Sept. 16.	Jacob Pontz, bill.....	11.20	
Sept. 26.	Jas. Smithgall, salary in full to Oct. 1, 1904.....	110.00	
Sept. 26.	W. U. Hensel, attorney, in full to Oct. 1, 1904.....	50.00	
Sept. 28.	Klopp Legacy, interest to Oct. 1, 1904...	40.00	
Sept. 28.	Amaltz Legacy, interest to Oct. 1, 1904..	250.00	
Sept. 28.	Fred. Pontz, bill for hay.....	14.44	
Sept. 28.	Imperial Brush Co.....	9.11	
			\$16,186.77
1904.			
Oct. 1.	Amount balance due Endowment Fund..	\$8,150.97	

LIBRARY FUND OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1903.			
Oct. 1.	To amount of Fund.....	\$1,819.96	
Oct. 1.	By balance due Fund.....	\$12.28	
Oct. 5.	Coal bond interest.....	15.00	
1904.			
Apr. 1.	Coal bond interest.....	15.00	
Apr. 1.	Cash.....	2.50	
Sept. 14.	Interest on Fund to Oct. 1.....	52.80	
Sept. 30.	Mountain Coal bond to Oct. 1...	15.00	
			\$112.58
1903.			
Oct. 7.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	\$30.00	
Oct. 23.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	7.47	
Oct. 29.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	3.50	
Nov. 30.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	1.90	
Dec.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	8.50	

1904.			
Jan. 29.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	8.10	
Feb. 2.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	2.80	
Feb. 17.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	5.00	
Feb. 25.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	27.00	
Mar. 19.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	15.52	
Mar. 30.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	8.60	
Apr. 29.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	3.25	
May 13.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	2.25	
July 28.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	8.00	
Aug. 1.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	5.25	
Aug. 8.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	4.53	
Sept. 6.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	7.38	
Sept. 14.	Bills paid per vouchers.....	10.00	

\$159.05

1904. By amount Dr. brought down.... 112.58

Oct. 1. To balance due by Library Fund. \$46.47

SMALTZ FUND ACCOUNT.

1904.
Oct. 1. Amount of Fund..... ~~\$5,000.00~~

Dr.

Interest October 1, 1903, to October 1, 1904. \$250.00

Cr.

By interest paid John Hertzler, treasurer
Board Beneficiary Education..... 250.00

WILLIAM A. WILT FUND ACCOUNT.

1904.
Oct. 1. Amount of Fund..... ~~\$833.33~~

Dr.

Interest to October 1, 1904, and accounted
for in current expenses of the Theolog-
ical Seminary..... \$41.66

SCHAFF PRIZE FUND IN CHURCH HISTORY.

1904.
Oct. 1. Amount of Fund..... ~~\$2,000.75~~

Dr.

May 11. Balance due Fund to May 8,
1903..... \$10.11

1904.
Apr. 12. Interest to May 8, 1904..... 94.20

\$104.31

		Cr	
y	2.	By amount paid prize per award of Committee.....	\$100.00
		Expressage and so forth.....	1.00
			<u>101.00</u>
		Balance due Fund May 8, 1904.....	\$3.31

SEMINARY CLASS 1892 PRIZE FUND.

y	8.	Amount of Fund.....	\$483.03	
		Dr		
		For interest to May 8, 1904.....	\$24.15	
		Cr		
y		By prize for award of Committee.	\$20.00	
		By express charges.....	.50	
			<u>\$20.50</u>	
		Balance due added to principal.....	\$3.65	3.65
				<u>\$486.68</u>

JACOB Y. DIETZ PRIZE FUND.

il	1.	Amount of Fund.....	\$2,000.00	
		Dr		
		For interest on same to April 1, 1904.....	\$100.00	
		Cr		
y	2.	Prize paid per award of Committee.....	100.00	

JOHN L. RIEGEL ENDOWMENT FUND.

t	1.	Amount of Fund.....	\$15,680.00	
		All interest on this Fund is accounted for in the treasurer's account of current expenses of the Theological Seminary to October 1, 1904.		

JACOB FORNEY LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

t	1.	Amount of Fund.....	1,000.00	
		Dr		
	1.	For balance due Fund October 1, 1903.....	\$42.85	
t	14.	Interest to October 1, 1904.....	45.00	
			<u>\$87.85</u>	

1903.		Cr.	
Oct. 7.	Bills paid per voucher.....	\$8.00	
1904.			
Feb. 25.	Bills paid per voucher.....	8.00	
Mar. 19.	Bills paid per voucher.....	10.33	
Sept. 9.	Bills paid per voucher.....	2.25	
	Bills paid per voucher.....	8.00	
			\$36.58
	Balance due Fund October 1, 1904.....		\$51.27

ANDREW KRISER AND CATHERINE W. SCHRIVER LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND

	Amount of Fund.....		\$1,000
1903.		Dr.	
Sept. 29.	Amount of notes paid to date.....	\$523.00	
1904.			
Sept. 14.	Interest to October 1, 1904....	45.00	
			\$184.78
1904.		Cr.	
Mar. 19.	By bill paid per voucher.....	\$50.09	
May 13.	By bill paid per voucher.....	5.01	
Sept. 26.	By bill paid per voucher.....	50.00	
			\$105.10
	Balance due Fund October 1, 1904.....		\$79.68

HENRY WIRT LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1903.	Amount of Fund.....		\$1,000.
		Dr.	
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund October, 1903..	\$70.44	
1904.			
Sept. 14.	Interest to October 1, 1904.....	45.00	
			\$115.44
1904.		Cr.	
Mar. 19.	By bill paid per voucher.....	\$6.25	
Sept. 26.	By bill paid per voucher.....	50.00	
			\$56.25
			\$59.19

SEMINARY CLASS 1894 LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1894.			
July 1.	Amount of notes placed in hands of treasurer for collection		\$981.

1904	Dr.		
Sept. 29.	Amount of notes paid to date.....	\$523.00	
	Unpaid notes in treasurer's hands.....	458.00	
			<u>\$981.00</u>

1904			
Oct. 1.	Interest in hands of treasurer, as credit on funds to September 29, 1904.....	\$104.59	

JACOB Y. METZ LIBRARY FUND.

Amount of Fund.....	\$4,000.00
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Dr.

For interest on same to April 1, 1904....	\$200.00
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Cr.

1904			
Sept. 26.	By bill paid per voucher.....	100.00	
	Balance due Fund October 1, 1904.....	\$100.00	

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AID FUND.

Dr.

1903			
Oct. 15.	Received from Geo. N. Forney, treasurer Potomac Synod.....	\$154.07	
Oct. 16.	Received from S. M. Gingrich, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	118.85	
Oct. 22.	Received from S. M. Gingrich, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	25.25	
Oct. 23.	Received from S. M. Gingrich, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	67.00	
1904			
Mar. 10.	Received from S. M. Gingrich, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	117.00	
	Received from A. J. Heller, D. D., treasurer Pittsburgh Synod.....	200.00	
Mar. 29.	Received from A. J. Heller, D. D., treasurer Pittsburgh Synod.....	200.00	
Apr. 20.	Received from A. J. Heller, D. D., treasurer Pittsburgh Synod.....	125.00	
May 3.	Received from S. M. Gingrich, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	178.93	
May 10.	Received from M. J. Rowe, treasurer North Carolina Classis.....	25.00	
June 4.	Received from S. M. Gingrich, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	424.24	
Sept. 9.	Received from S. M. Gingrich, treasurer Eastern Synod.....	37.00	
Sept. 26.	Received from C. M. Wolf, treasurer Potomac Synod.....	300.00	
			<u>\$1,982.34</u>

1904.

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Sept. 26.	By amount paid interest to October 1, 1904, on balance due Endowment Fund October 1, 1903, Evans Ground Account, James Street Ground Account, and Janitor's House Account.....	\$528.77	
Sept. 30.	Balance Seminary Aid Fund charged to treasurers as income.....	1,453.57	
			<u>\$1,982.34</u>

STATEMENT OF ALL FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER AND TREASURER OF
EASTERN SYNOD.

1903.

Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund, General.....	\$96,331.93
Oct.	1.	Amount gained to date by change of investments.....	310.30

1904.

Aug.	2.	Received from Wilhelm estate, J. W. B. Bausman, treasurer of Franklin and Marshall College, and now added to Seminary Endowment principle..	389.36
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1903.

Oct.	6.	By action of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary had this day, sundry obligations having no value were ordered to be deducted from the Endowment Fund principal.....	\$100.00
			100.00
			700.30
			<u>900.30</u>

\$97,031.59

Total General Fund.....	\$96,131.29
Endowment Fund Special, J. Riegel..	15,680.00
Endowment Fund Special, W. A. Wilt.	833.33

\$112,644.62

Library Fund.....	1,819.96
Smaltz Fund.....	5,000.00
Class 1892 Prize Fund.....	486.68
Schaff Prize Fund.....	2,000.75
Jacob Forney Seminary Alcove Fund.....	1,000.00
Henry Wirt Alcove Fund.....	1,000.00
A. Keiser and C. W. Schriver Alcove Fund.....	1,000.00
Seminary Class 1894 Alcove Fund.....	981.00
Jacob Y. Dietz Library Fund.....	4,000.00

Jacob Y. Dietz Prize Fund.....	2,000.00
Endowment Fund, Pittsburgh Synod.....	30,500.00
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	\$162,433.01

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. ROTH,

Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Board to examine the several accounts of the treasurer of the Theological Seminary, report that we have attended to the duty assigned us and find them correct.

JOHN W. APPEL,

JOHN D. SKILES.

October 13, 1904.

(e) **Report of the Board of Education.**

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

The Board of Education organized at its annual meeting on May 3, 1904, by the election of the following officers for the current year: President, Rev. S. G. Wagner, D. D., Allentown, Pa.; Secretary, Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. John Hertzler, Lancaster, Pa.

In the year just closed the Board of Education aided seven students for the ministry, the Classis of Lehigh aided one, the Classis of Tohickon aided two, the Classis of Wyoming aided one, and the Classis of Reading aided two—a total of thirteen; and the appropriations aggregated \$1,670.

In the current year the Board is aiding eight students; the Classis of Lehigh is aiding one, the Classis of Tohickon is aiding two, and the Classis of Reading is aiding three; and the appropriations aggregate \$1,745.

Within the past year three former students for the ministry died, and the Board cancelled their obligations, which amounted to \$1,761.44; and one former student who has been ten years in the service of the Church preferred a request for the cancellation of his obligation for \$778, and the request was granted, so that the total amount of the obligations cancelled was \$2,539.44.

Since the annual meeting of the Board, Prof. E. M. Hartman has refunded \$150; and the Rev. W. C. Sykes has made a contribution of \$10 to the funds of the Board. These amounts do not appear in the Treasurer's report for the past year, but will appear in his report for the current year.

Communications already had upon the subject indicate that the applications for aid in the next year will be in excess of the income of the Board. In this situation moneys refunded by former students, or offerings from the congregations, will prove immediately helpful in carrying forward the work of the Board.

At the annual meeting of the Synod in 1897 action was taken recommending to the Classes to become auxiliary to the Board of Education, and aid their respective students for the ministry through the Board and in accordance with its rules. Five of the Classes, namely, Lancaster, Lehigh, Tohickon, Wyoming, and Reading have adopted the recommendation of the Synod. It would contribute to the still greater efficiency of the work of aiding worthy students for the ministry if all the Classes would become auxiliary to the Board, and at the same time would secure uniformity throughout the Synod in the prosecution of this increasingly important work, while the Classes would in no wise prejudice their own interest or ways of working. Should the Synod deem it wise to do so, the Synod might renew its action taken in 1897. (See Minutes of Synod, 1897, pp. 43 and 44.)

The Treasurer's annual report for the year beginning May 12, 1903, and ending May 2, 1904, with the report of the Auditing Committee, is herewith submitted.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. LICHLITER,

Secretary of the Board of Education.

Lancaster, Pa., October 22, 1904.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance.....	\$204.43
Interest and dividends on investments.....	914.00
Offerings of churches:	
Christ church, Philadelphia.....	\$68.52
Per Tr. Classis of Philadelphia.....	67.79
	<hr/> \$136.31
From Classes:	
Classis of Lehigh.....	\$120.00
Classis of Tohickon.....	300.00
Classis of Wyoming.....	125.00
Classis of Reading.....	200.00
	<hr/> \$745.00
	<hr/> \$1,999.74

DISBURSEMENTS.

To students aided by the Board.....	\$925.00	
To student of Classis of Lehigh.....	\$120.00	
To students of Classis of Tohickon.....	300.00	
To student of Classis of Wyoming.....	125.00	
To students of Classis of Reading.....	200.00	
	<hr/>	\$745.00
Attorney, expenses in re Busch Mtge.....	5.50	
H. C. Miller, compensation and postage....	25.24	
Wm. F. Lichliter, salary and postage.....	52.98	
For tin box for archives.....	2.25	
	<hr/>	\$85.97
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Balance in the treasury.....		\$1,705.97
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		293.77
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		\$1,999.74

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HERTZLER, *Treasurer.**Lancaster, Pa., May 3, 1904.*

We, the undersigned, have examined the above account and found it correct; have examined the securities and found same as listed.

NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER,
ELLIS N. KREMER.

*May 3, 1904.**Attest: Wm. F. LICHLITER, Secretary.**Lancaster, Pa., October 22, 1904.*

II. Report of the Standing Committee on Franklin and Marshall College and the Theological Seminary.

The report on College and Seminary was presented on Saturday, the fourth day of the sessions, acted on and disposed of item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: There were referred to your Committee on College and Seminary the following documents:

1. The report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.
2. A catalogue of Franklin and Marshall College.
3. The report of the Board of Visitors of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

4. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

5. The report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

6. The report of the Secretary of the Board of Education of this Synod.

7. A report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education.

The committee offers the following for your consideration and action:

(a) Franklin and Marshall College.

From the President's annual report we learn that the internal work of the College was regularly prosecuted during the past year without any serious interruptions, and with the usual degree of success.

We note, with great satisfaction, that at the opening of the Fall term of the year 1904-1905—the College had the largest accession of new students in its history, the number, in all, reaching seventy-one.

The changes in the Faculty, in the departments of Oratory, to which Prof. John M. Chambers, A. M., was appointed, and in the department of Physical Culture, to which Mr. Wm. P. Bates, of Providence, R. I., was appointed, have proven very satisfactory.

The efforts put forth by Prof. Edwin M. Hartman, in the capacity of an assistant to the President, for the purpose of soliciting funds and students for the College, in conjunction with the committee appointed in this interest, have yielded happy results in the increase of the financial support of the institution, which exceeds in total amount all past records of contributions for any given year. This excellent work is being continued, and manifests very hopeful future returns.

The debt on the Science Building was decreased by \$7,492.35, and the endowment of the College increased by \$25,940.43. Prof. Hartman's last official report shows the amount of \$73,072 pledged toward the larger endowment of the College of \$150,000, of this amount \$23,500 has been paid into the hands of the Treasurer.

We also note the receipt of a bequest of \$1,500 from the estate of Francis R. Boyer, Hellertown, Pa.; paintings for the Reception Room of the Science Building from the family of

the late Mr. B. Wolff, Jr., of Pittsburg, Pa., and excellent specimens for the Museum from Dr. M. W. Raub, Mr. A. S. Kepler and Dr. S. T. Davis, of Lancaster, Pa.

We recommend for your adoption the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That we rejoice in the prosperity of the College and Academy, as evinced by the increased enrollment of students, which exceeds all previous years in the history of the institutions, and by the liberal financial support rendered by the Church and its friends; for all of which the Synod hereby records its sincere thanks to God, our Father, who have so blessed us.

2. *Resolved*, That the Synod approves the changes which have been made in the Faculty of the College, in the engagement of Prof. John M. Chambers in the department of Oratory, and Mr. William P. Bates in the department of Physical Culture.

3. *Resolved*, That the Synod again reiterates its approval of the engagement of Prof. Edwin M. Hartman as assistant to the President for the purpose of soliciting students and raising funds for the larger endowment of the College.

4. *Resolved*, That Prof. Edwin M. Hartman be commended for his enthusiastic zeal in his work, and that the pastors, through the several classes, be requested to assist and encourage him in the prosecution of his work in their respective charges.

5. *Resolved*, That Synod hereby expresses its thanks and appreciation for the interest taken by the family of the late Mr. B. Wolff, Jr., in the Science Building by the contribution of three valuable and beautiful paintings, for the adornment of its reception room.

6. *Resolved*, That Synod expresses its thanks to Dr. M. W. Raub, Mr. A. C. Kepler and Dr. S. T. Davis for the specimens donated for use in the Museum of the Science Building.

7. *Resolved*, That the Synod expresses its appreciation for the bequest of \$1,500 received from the estate of the late Mr. Francis R. Boyer of Hellertown, Pa.

8. *Resolved*, That Synod heartily approves of the extended vacation taken by the President, Dr. John S. Stahr and rejoices to learn of the many personal benefits which he derived therefrom.

9. *Resolved*, That Synod expresses its gratitude to those friends of the President who made it possible for him to enjoy the experience of travel, and to Dr. Joseph H. Dubbs who so efficiently discharged the duties of the President of College during his absence.

(b) Eastern Theological Seminary.

From the several reports pertaining to this institution, we learn that the cloud which hung over the Seminary during the latter part of the seminary year, owing to the resignation of one professor and the death of two others, has been dispelled, and that the Seminary is well equipped for its work; that the Synod is requested to name the first Sunday in November as an annual Seminary day; that the Board of Visitors appointed Lic. Irvine Hoch DeLong assistant to Dr. F. A. Gast; that \$1,500 is asked for current expenses, \$375 for Professor of Oratory, and \$250 for assistant to Dr. Gast; and that the Board of Trustees is about to purchase the lot between the Seminary grounds and Dr. Bowman's residence.

The Committee offers the following resolutions:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod rejoices in the present efficiency of the Theological Seminary, and expresses its thankfulness to God for his favor and blessing on this institution of the Church.

2. *Resolved*, That Synod appoints the first Sunday in November to be observed annually as Seminary Day.

3. *Resolved*, That Synod approves of the appointment of Lic. Irvine Hoch DeLong by the Board of Visitors assistant to Dr. F. A. Gast.

4. *Resolved*, That the requests for \$1,500 for current expenses, \$375 for Professor of Oratory, and \$250 for Dr. Gast's assistant, be granted, and that these amounts be referred to the Finance Committee for apportionment.

5. *Resolved*, That Synod approves of the plan of the Board of Trustees to purchase the lot between the Seminary grounds and Dr. Bowman's residence, the Synod itself to devise ways and means of securing the necessary funds to purchase said lot.

6. *Resolved*, That the various charges be requested by Synod, through the Classes, to pay promptly and in full the apportionment for this institution.

7. *Resolved*, That the committee on current expenses and

increased endowment of the Theological Seminary meet with the committees appointed for a similar purpose by the Board of Trustees of the Seminary and by the Board of Visitors and by the Potomac and Pittsburg Synods, at its earliest convenience, to plan for the prosecution of the work, and that the work assigned to this committee be pushed as soon as the way appears to the committee to be open, that is, as soon as the College endowment work is completed.

(c) **The Board of Education.**

The report of the Secretary of the Board of Education gives an account of the work of the Board during the year, the amount of money received and disbursed, and the names of the officers of the Board.

Your committee presents the following resolutions:

Resolved, That the Eastern Synod again calls the attention of the Classes of Synod to the recommendations passed by this body at its annual session at Milton, October 20, 1897, which reads as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That the Eastern Synod recommends to the Classes of the Synod that they become auxiliary to the Board of Education, and co-operate with the Board by paying the funds they gather for Beneficiary Education into the treasury of the Board, and when they so desire to do, designating the student for the ministry to receive the benefit of these funds, but allowing the Board to make payments to the student in accordance with its rules, and to take and hold the notes of the beneficiaries for the aid given them.

2. *Resolved*, That the Eastern Synod commends this method of carrying forward the work of Beneficiary Education to the Classes as being in harmony with the original intention and purposes of the Synod in the creation of the Board of Education, and designed to secure uniformity and harmony in this work and the best results, and so give the largest measure of satisfaction to the Church and to the friends of this cause.

Respectfully submitted,

W. D. HAPPEL, ISAAC F. BROWN,
WILLIAM E. HARR, CHARLES S. SHELLEY.
W. STUART CRAMER,

In the adoption of the several resolutions contained in the foregoing report, relative to Franklin and Marshall College, the following action was taken:

The Stated Clerk was instructed to transmit to the persons mentioned in the 5th and 6th resolutions the thanks of Synod for their valuable donations to the Science Building.

The resolution on the expression of good-will contained in the 8th resolution was adopted by a rising vote.

In the adoption of the items relative to the Theological Seminary the following action was taken:

The 2d item was adopted and referred to the Committee on Seminary Aid.

In the adoption of the 5th item action was taken that Synod assume its portion, one-half of the purchase price (\$5,700). on which the interest be paid until the principal is secured, and that the matter be referred to the Committee on Seminary Aid with instructions to raise the amount as speedily as possible.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

I. Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Brethren: As the Board of Missions was organized in 1873, this is our thirty-first report, reminding us of the many and great changes that have taken place, both in the Board and in its methods of work, during this long period of missionary activity, the details of which are worthy of careful research and study.

The Board at present is made up as follows: President, Rev. C. A. Santee; Secretary, Rev. E. N. Kremer, D. D.; Treasurer, Elder J. J. Nissley; Rev. G. A. Schwedes, Rev. T. J. Hacker, D.D., Rev. C. B. Schneder, Elder Charles G. Schaeffer, Rev. N. H. Skyles, Rev. J. D. Miller, Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D. D., Rev. L. E. Coblentz, Rev. E. R. Deatrick and Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D. D. The first three and the last three are the Executive Council.

In April last two missions within the bounds of Potomac Synod became self-supporting: Grace church, Washington, D. C., and Faith church, Baltimore, Md.

During the synodical year the following missions within the two Synods have been enrolled: York, Pa., West Hazleton, Pa., and a Hungarian mission in Pocahontas, Va.

As part of our report we lay before you the full report of treasurer J. J. Nissley. You will notice that the amount received for missions, compared with that of last year, is greater by \$3,582.87.

During the year the Board received three legacies: \$262.50, being the final payment on \$500 from the estate of Mr. Josiah Griffith, late of Bedford county, Pa., for a Church-building Fund; also \$1,231.26, being part of the residue of the estate of the said Josiah Griffith; and \$1,646.76 from the estate of the late Mrs. Seraphine A. Dissler, of Reading, Pa., for two Church-building Funds.

In addition to this the Board received \$50 from Rev. F. M. Schmidt toward a Fund now almost completed, and \$100 from the Sunday-school of the Second church, Reading, Pa., in completion of its Fund.

And it is worthy of note that in addition to these sums paid to our treasurer, other Church-building Funds from these Synods were paid into the treasury of the General Board as follows: \$500 from Mr. John B. Kunz, of Huntingdon, Pa.; \$500 from Miss Eliza A. Rauch, of Martinsburg, W. Va.; \$500 from Miss Emma B. Houck, of Frederick, Md.; \$500 from the Ladies Guild of the First church, Reading, Pa.; \$500 from Mr. William U. Roulette, of Hagerstown, Md.; \$500 from Elder Emmanuel J. Diehl, of Bedford county, Pa.; \$100 from Miss Sarah E. Fricker, of Reading, Pa., being first payment; and \$100 from The North Penn Ministerial Association toward a proposed Fund.

For the preservation of valuable papers the Board has secured a safe, which bears the inscription: "Presented to the Board of Missions by Elder Israel Laucks, of York, Pa."

All of the missions within these two Synods have pastors; and the reports of the missionaries give encouraging accounts of both spiritual and financial progress.

Both Synods will note that in April, 1905 the Board of Home Missions of General Synod will elect a Superintendent of Missions for these Synods. Accordingly we recommend that the Synods nominate Rev. A. C. Whitmer for this office for the term of three years beginning October 1, 1905.

The Synod of the Potomac will note that the terms of Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D. D., and of Rev. L. E. Coblentz will expire April 1, 1905; and the Synod will also fill the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Rev. J. F. Moyer, owing to removal from the Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES A. SANTEE, *President*,
ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary*.

II. Treasurer's Report.

John J. Nissley, treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

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FOR HOME MISSIONS.

From the Eastern Synod.

Philadelphia Classis.....	\$2,127.35	
Tohickon Classis.....	1,348.33	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	2,120.87	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	2,100.00	
Lebanon Classis.....	1,883.96	
Lancaster Classis.....	2,118.67	
Schuylkill Classis.....	1,684.99	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	1,570.00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	1,883.03	
Lehigh Classis.....	3,207.00	
Wyoming Classis.....	1,818.32	
Reading Classis.....	2,919.19	
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		\$24,781.71

From the Synod of the Potomac.

Maryland Classis.....	\$3,154.19	
Mercersburg Classis.....	1,257.97	
Virginia Classis.....	300.00	
Zion's Classis.....	743.51	
Juniata Classis.....	2,125.26	
Gettysburg Classis.....	600.00	
North Carolina Classis.....	665.67	
Carlisle Classis.....	671.97	
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		\$9,518.57

From Miscellaneous Sources.

Shepherdstown, W. Va.....	\$14.50
N. B. Schmitt, Woodstock, Va.....	100.00
Rev. F. A. Gast, D. D., Lancaster, Pa.	10.00
Harbaugh church, Waynesboro, Pa.....	4.41

Emmanuel's Sunday-school, Hazleton, Pa.....	11.43
Harrisville, Va.....	11.75
Mt. Crawford, Va.....	15.40
Sunday-school, Turbutville, Pa.....	5.00
"A Friend," Philadelphia, Pa.....	20.00
Humelstown, Pa.....	20.00
Christ church, Philadelphia, Pa.....	258.30
Riegelsville, Pa., congregation.....	156.00
Riegelsville, Pa., Sunday-school.....	91.28
Salem Sunday-school, Harrisburg, Infant Dept....	3.15
Nevin Boyer Fund, Riegelsville, Pa.....	5.00
Mrs. Anna R. Wagner, interest on legacy.....	100.00
Trinity, Altoona, Pa.....	52.25
Pavia, Pa., Easter offering.....	7.45
Interest on Gerhart Fund.....	6.00
W. M. Society, Lancaster Classis.....	10.00
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	\$901.92

\$35,202.20

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Paid Geo. W. Stein, treasurer General Board.....	\$35,202.20
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FOR HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Mercersburg Classis.....	\$170.00
Maryland Classis.....	307.45
Sunday-school, Fort Washington, Pa.....	42.48
Mrs. Anna K. Shook, Greencastle, Pa.....	10.00
Carlisle Classis.....	88.65
N. B. Schmitt, Woodstock, Va.....	50.00
Huntingdon, Pa.....	4.00
Martinsburg charge.....	15.00
Missionary Society, Pavia, Pa.....	15.00
Virginia Classis.....	102.00
Juniata Classis.....	150.00
Zion's Classis.....	85.03
Eastern Synod.....	2,495.26
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	\$3,534.87

FOR THE HARBOR MISSION.

Maryland Classis....	39.04
Carlisle Classis.....	12.03
Mercersburg Classis.....	24.00
Juniata Classis.....	31.00
Zion's Classis.....	13.98
Virginia Classis.....	11.00
Eastern Synod.....	388.23
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	\$519.28

FOR GERMAN MISSIONS.

Geo. N. Forney, treasurer Potomac Synod.....	66.03	
Maryland Classis.....	122.00	
Juniata Classis.....	125.00	
Virginia Classis.....	35.00	
Eastern Synod.....	1,353.43	
		<u>\$1,701.43</u>
		<u>\$5,755.00</u>
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Paid Geo. W. Stein, treasurer General Board.....		<u>\$5,755.00</u>

DESIGNATED MONEYS.

Huntingdon, Pa., for St. Joseph's, Mo.....	\$5.00	
Huntingdon, Pa., for Palatinate, Philadelphia, Pa...	5.00	
Huntingdon, Pa., for Greensboro, N. C.....	15.00	
Anon., Frederick, Md., for Moffet's Creek, Va.....	1.00	
North Carolina Classis, for Rev. Causey Louer Davidson.....	58.33	
North Carolina Classis, for Rev. McNary, Blowing Rock.....	58.32	
North Carolina Classis, for Rev. Murphy, Lenoir..	30.84	
North Carolina Classis, for Catawba charge.....	100.00	
Dunnings Creek charge, for St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.	10.00	
Dunnings Creek charge, for Lewistown, Pa.....	10.80	
Dunnings Creek charge, for Palatinate, Philadelphia, Pa.....	1.00	
Dunnings Creek charge, for Sioux City, Ia.....	5.00	
		<u>\$300.00</u>
Cr.		
Paid as designated.....		<u>\$300.00</u>

FOR CHURCH BUILDING.

Balance in treasury September 28, 1903.....		\$4.03
Schuylkill Classis.....	\$215.00	
Tohickon Classis.....	274.40	
Lebanon Classis.....	291.97	
Philadelphia Classis.....	258.71	
Lehigh Classis.....	319.00	
Reading Classis.....	364.00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	74.37	
Lancaster Classis.....	300.60	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	275.00	
		<u>\$2,373.00</u>

CHURCH-BUILDING FUNDS.

and Schmidt Fund.....	\$50.00	
Griffith Fund.. ..	262.50	
and Susanna Griffith Fund.....	1,231.26	
l church, Sunday-school, Reading, Pa.....	100.00	
ville and Seraphine A. Dissler Fund.....	823.38	
Boys' Fund.....	823.38	
	<hr/>	\$3,200.52

LOANS REPAID.

rian church, Bridgeport, Conn.....	\$200.00	
. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.....	50.00	
ry, N. C., on mortgage.....	450.00	
ry, N. C., on note.....	33.89	
ke, Va., on parsonage.....	100.00	
Memorial, Wichita, Kan.....	999.00	
e same, by the Board of Home Missions.....	500.00	
n, N. J., Hungarian.....	200.00	
Allentown, Pa.....	200.00	
n, Pa.....	25.00	
Norwalk, Conn., Hungarian.....	125.00	
Altoona, Pa.....	1,100.00	
of Home Missions.....	3,000.00	
	<hr/>	\$6,982.89
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		<u>\$16,677.88</u>

DISBURSEMENTS.

Boush, treasurer for Church-Building Fund..	\$2,373.05	
to Lewistown, Pa.	2,000.00	
to High Point, N. C.....	275.00	
to Emmanuel's church, York, Pa.....	3,000.00	
l deposit, Hummelstown National Bank.....	3,000.00	
to Walnutport, Pa.	500.00	
to Board of Home Missions.....	3,000.00	
to Grace church, York, Pa.	2,000.00	
30. Balance in treasury.	529.83	
	<hr/>	\$16,677.88

GENERAL TREASURY.

ice in treasury September 28, 1903.....	\$3,127.45	
h Mission, Philadelphia, Pa.....	\$135.00	
E. A. Fremell.	95.00	
. C. Leonard, Lexington, N. C.....	2.70	
Boush, General Board	300.00	
nds of Spangler Legacy.....	43.76	
church, Baltimore, Md.....	25.00	
ke, Va.....	165.00	
Mission, Philadelphia, Pa.....	40.00	

Hungarian church, Trenton, N. J.....	33.00	
Maryland Classis.....	197.50	
High Point, N. C.....	16.25	
Hungarian church, Phoenixville, Pa.....	10.00	
St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.....	150.00	
Grace, Allentown, Pa.....	30.00	
Grace, Altoona, Pa.....	31.00	
Packerton, Pa.....	10.00	
Scranton, Pa.....	75.00	
Burlington, N. C.....	15.00	
St. Mark's, Baltimore, Md.....	58.00	
		<hr/> \$1,432.2
		<hr/> \$4,559.66

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Mr. Irvin S. Ditzler, supply at Thomasville, N. C...	\$60.00	
Traveling expenses of the Board and postage.....	69.52	
Salary of the secretary.....	75.00	
Salary of the treasurer.....	75.00	
Balance in treasury Sept. 30, 1904.....	4,280.14	
		<hr/> \$4,559.66

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer**Hummelstown, Pa., September 30, 1904.*

The foregoing account was audited and found correct as stated.

JAMES C. THOMPSON,

ELLIS N. KREMER,

*Auditors.**Harrisburg, Pa., October 3, 1904.*

**III. Annual Report of the Board of Home Missions of the General
Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States
for the year ending September 15th, 1904.**

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Brethren: In presenting to the Synods this annual report the Board would express its thanks to God for his blessings upon its efforts, and to the Church for the substantial support that has been given for the advancement of the work. The past year has been one of the most successful in the history of the Board. The Church begins to realize the importance of planting her standards in the home land. At our very doors those of other lands are calling for help, while the children of our own people need our best efforts in order to give them the bread of life.

MISSIONS AND MISSIONARIES.—Three missions became self-supporting on April 1st, 1904, and passed off the roll of the Board. The following missions were enrolled during the year, viz.: York, Pa.; Edinburg, Ill.; Wilton Junction, Ia.; Pocahontas, Va.; Struthers, O.; Oskaloosa, Ia.; Dillonvale, O.; Homewood, Pittsburgh, Pa.; Derry, Pa., and West Hazleton, Pa. We now have on the roll of the Board one hundred and eleven missions, the largest number we have ever had. Three of the missions are without pastors at this date. Of this large number of men under the care of the Board not one was disabled in any way during the year. All these men enjoyed good health and did a good work for the people under their care and for the Church whose servants they are. The missions have been prosperous. Of course, some have a more hopeful future so far as human eyes can see, than others; yet there is not one that presents a discouraging aspect.

THE FINANCES.—The Board paid all the missionaries promptly at the end of each quarter. We are glad to report that the condition of the finances is gradually improving. Treasurer Stein gives us the following as his statement of the finances for the year ending September 1st, 1904:

For Home missions.....	\$51,858.86
For Hungarian missions.....	4,968.09
For German missions.....	2,426.58
For the Harbor Mission.....	1,164.37
Total.....	\$60,417.90

It will be noticed that the amount paid for Hungarian and German missions is in each case only a little over one-half of the sum voted by the General Synod at Baltimore, while the sum paid for the Harbor mission falls \$35.63 short of the sum promised. Might not these shortages be raised? Yet, it will be seen that the sum received during the year is larger than that received during any previous year.

Last year when the report was made the indebtedness was fully \$13,000. At the present time, Treasurer Stein reports that the debt is \$2,127.21. Can we not as a Church arrange to wipe out this small debt and put some additional funds into

the treasury? When the whole Church is interested in paying the Harbor missionary, is it not strange that the whole sum of \$1,200 could not be raised? It will be noticed also that the \$60,417.90 is \$14,502.10 short of the whole sum voted by the General Synod for the use of the Home Board.

HUNGARIAN WORK.—It will be noticed that we now have seventeen Hungarian missionaries at work. These missions are either in cities or in thriving towns. They are in the midst of the Hungarian population and have plenty of material upon which to work. The missions are prospering while the missionaries are doing faithful work. There was an attempt made by the Church in Hungary to have the churches in this country attach themselves to the mother Church. But from all appearances this whole matter has been settled and the work will go forward as usual. While we are doing a commendable work, there are still other places that should be taken up by us. These missions have been engaged in the work of erecting church buildings, and the majority of them have very comfortable houses of worship. The Board has had to help these missions liberally with its Church-building Funds, but these will all be paid back to the Board in due time.

THE BULLETIN.—This little paper still continues its monthly visits to many of our congregations. The circulation is about 26,000, and goes out at the rate of a penny a copy per year. Of course, this price is simply to help bear part of the postal charges. The aim of the Board is to get the facts of our home work more generally before our people. We believe that the end in view is being accomplished. Those who get it are pleased with it, not a few declaring that it is just the kind of a paper that the Church needs. Not only does the Board aim, through it, to give to the Church the missionary news, but to give such other facts of a missionary character as will be beneficial to her. The circulation should be larger.

HOME MISSIONARY DAY.—This day comes on the second Sunday in November. We cannot say that it has been a complete success so far. The fact that it comes so soon after the meetings of the synods is somewhat against it. The fact that it comes just when some of the pastors are getting ready for the Christmas festival may also militate somewhat against it. But it is likely that the fact that the services were not out in time

had more to do with its failure than aught else. This latter has been remedied this year. At this writing the services are ready for distribution, and in a very short time will be in the hands of the pastors. The services and the envelopes will be sent to all the pastors. This is somewhat of a departure from last year. Of course, this is *Home Missionary Day* in the Sunday-schools, and the Board does ask most earnestly that all the pastors hold this service in their Sunday-schools. Let the children learn what they can of the great work in which they must soon take a more lively part. Give them an opportunity, also, to give their mite for the furtherance of the work. With the children, let the whole congregation join in the service, so as to encourage them in the part they take.

CHURCH-BUILDING.—This work is still of first importance, and demands the attention of the Church and the Board. Treasurer Boush furnished the following statement for this report, for the year ending September 1st, 1904:

MONEYS RECEIVED.

On Church building funds.....	\$5,614.96
On apportionments.....	3,604.52
On moneys invested.....	2,843.87
Interest on investments.....	851.10
Special offerings.....	24.55
On bonds issued.....	36,500.00
Total.....	\$49,439.00

MONEY PAID OUT.

Invested in real estate.....	\$32,143.39
Bonds redeemed.....	20,100.00
Interest paid.....	3,515.25
Salary for attorney, treasurer and other expenses.....	644.50
Total.....	\$56,403.14

This leaves a deficit of \$6,964.14. But it will be seen that \$32,143.39 was invested in real estate during the year.

New bonds were issued.....	\$36,500.00
Bonds redeemed.....	20,100.00
Leaving.....	\$16,400.00

which represents the actual increase of the indebtedness dur-

ing the year. This seems a large increase of the indebtedness, but the work demanded it. There were on September 1st \$8,000 of this \$16,400 in the treasury ready to meet some liabilities soon coming due. The value of lots held by the Board and the money invested in the erection of churches now amounts to nearly \$350,000. Of course if the increased value were reckoned, the sum would be larger. This is certainly a good showing for a period of fourteen years during which this arm of the work has been in operation. The indebtedness of our building fund is largely caused by the rapid increase of the missions and the necessity of supplying them with lots and buildings. Much of this indebtedness, however, is in the form of endorsements, and the missions themselves are obligated for the refunding of the money. In many cases the Board holds the deed for the lot, or holds a mortgage on the property as security. The importance of this part of the work should be kept before the membership of our Church. The increase of the building fund will enable the Board to extend the work in every direction.

THE MATTER OF SELF-SUPPORT.—The Church contributes her money for the purpose of helping weak points and opening new missions in cities and districts where missions are needed. It is the idea of the Church and the Board that just as soon as a mission can help itself it should do so, and no longer ask the help of the Church. It is supposed that the classes and synods have an oversight over the missions within their bounds. In the nature of things, neither the Board nor the superintendents can determine when the time has come for the missions to go to self-support. In this matter the auxiliary Boards should come to the help of the General Board. These subordinate boards assume the right to recommend when and where missions should be established within their bounds. That is right, but they should also take such an oversight of the missions so established as to bring them to self-support as quickly as possible. The Board wishes to help the greatest number possible with the money contributed by the Church, and in order to do this the subordinate boards should keep careful watch over the missions in their territory. Missions that give no hope of self-support in a reasonable time should be consolidated with nearby congregations, if it can be done

to advantage. The aim should be to relieve the Board of such missions, so as to help other points.

ADDITIONAL WORK.—As regards new work that might be assumed, there is scarcely any limit. There are plenty of places where the Board is asked to open missions. There are many towns and cities where we should begin work. Under these circumstances the Board must do what seems best. There are those who criticize the Board for being rather slow and too conservative, not trusting the Church sufficiently, and having too little faith in our people to meet the exigencies of the case. But the Board has learned that it is best to move in accordance with the progress of the Church and not to risk too much by running too deeply into debt. It has been moving a little more rapidly than the Church, having created an indebtedness in order to push the work, but this must not go so far as to involve the Board and the Church in too large a debt. The Board must move somewhat in accordance with the men and the means that the Church furnishes. But the Board promises the synods to extend the work as rapidly as is consistent with all the circumstances and conditions of the case. Every year some new points are added, while churches are being erected among the missions. The Board now handles \$100,000 or more annually in the prosecution of the work.

APPORTIONMENTS.—We give for the last time the amounts to be apportioned the synods as arranged by the General Synod at Baltimore:

Synods.	Home Missions.	Harbor Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	Work Among Germans.	Church Building.
Eastern	\$32370 00	\$492 00	\$369 00	\$2426 00	Six cents per member.
Potomac	12450 00	153 00	1443 00	930 00	" " " "
Pittsburg	6280 00	00 00	675 00	460 00	" " " "
Ohio	7875 00	125 00	937 00	590 00	" " " "
Interior	1085 00	14 00	107 00	94 00	" " " "

We again ask the synods to give the Board the sums in full that have been promised.

That Home Missionary Day in the Sunday-schools be observed and the offerings given as additional funds for the work.

That the Church-building interests be kept before our people

with a view of increasing the number of our Church-building Funds.

We again earnestly request, six cents per member for Church-building.

D. S. FOUSE,
General Superintendent.

IV. Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: The year 1904 will mark a notable event in the history of our Church. It is the quarto-centennial of our Mission in Japan. God has done great things for us, whereof we are glad. Twenty-five years ago we began the work at Tokyo with one missionary, and the receipts for the first year were about \$7,000. Now we have twenty-one missionaries, and the receipts for the past year have been \$69,500. Then, our membership in the home Church was 147,788, the receipts for benevolent objects \$61,727, and for congregational purposes \$532,229; now the membership is 255,880, receipts for benevolent objects \$281,892, and for congregational purposes \$1,450,247. These statistics are the best evidence that the establishment of our foreign mission has been a distinct gain to the Church. With the departure of the first missionary a new life was kindled in the hearts of our pastors and people, and to-day we may well rejoice over the glorious results of the toils and sacrifices of our noble band of missionaries. God bless them and us in our united efforts to bring souls into the kingdom.

SILVER JUBILEE.—All the synods and classes have taken strong action, urging pastors and people to observe the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of our Japan Mission. This event has been emphasized by special services, full of interest and inspiration, in Sendai and Tokyo. The native Christians fully appreciate the efforts of our people in their behalf. What have we done in the home Church towards a worthy celebration? Shall we not relate in sermons and addresses the story of the great achievements of our faithful missionaries? It has been the burning hope in many hearts that during this Silver Jubilee year, and as an expression of our gratitude to God for his special favors, the Church would contribute at least

25,000 for the erection of the North Japan College buildings. Towards this amount we have \$6,000. Our earnest band of workers on the field look with pleading eyes to us to supply this great need. The brethren will remember that the North Japan College was in danger of being closed last April by the government for want of proper buildings. Only the promise of Dr. Schmeder that the Church would provide these buildings during the coming year saved the institution from such calamity. Early in the year an official was sent to inspect the school, and, after giving a thorough inspection, he gave a very favorable report to a newspaper reporter at Sendai, in which he says: "I think it is a very promising school. I cannot but congratulate Sendai upon having such a good school. It is my conviction that it will surpass government schools in the near future." There is no doubt but that the North Japan College is a great moral and spiritual power in Japan, the centre of Christian work in the northern part of the Empire, and the greatest hope of future victory in this part of the missionary field. Who then will neglect to give large gifts towards the proper equipment of an institution that has for its chief object the training of young men for the gospel ministry?

GIRLS' SCHOOL COMPLETED.—It is with great joy of heart that we report the completion of all the buildings for the Miyagi Girls' School, and at a cost of over \$8,000 below the original estimate. The leading Sendai daily says: "The dormitory is one of the best planned and most substantial in north-eastern Japan, and will doubtless be patterned after by many other schools." The ladies' residence was enlarged so as to give a study and sleeping-room to each of the four lady teachers, and many other changes and repairs were made. The recitation hall, which is a memorial to the late Christine Voller Faust, is a beautiful solid brick structure with granite trimmings. As Japan is an earthquake country, great care was used that the building should be strong, and it is probably as nearly earthquake-proof as a building can be built. It contains eight recitation rooms, a large chapel, library, laboratory and science room, business office, reception room and waiting rooms. Our Girls' School has now a very fine equipment, and there is no better plant in Japan for the Christian

education of young women. The cost of these buildings is as follows :

Dormitory.....	\$7,496.70
Ladies' residence.....	2,370.65
Recitation hall.....	13,412.47
Moving Bible women's house.....	69 00
Two lots.....	2,884.31
Fencing, grading, incidentals.....	672.68
Total.....	<hr/> \$26,905.81

Receipts from all sources for the Girls' School building amount to about \$27,000.

The credit for the speedy and economical erection of these buildings is due to Rev. W. E. Lampe, who had sole charge of the building operations. In his report of the work so well done, he says: "We of the Japan Mission feel grateful to all who, by their contributions or in any other way, have helped us in this grand work."

NEED OF WORKERS.—Delightful as the buildings are, the Japan Mission needs more than buildings; it must have additional workers. The present force is not adequate to meet the demands of the hour. We have come to that point of our work when we must supply men or lose ground already ours. A missionary family ought to be located in Sakata and another in Akita without delay. In fact, the missionaries Faust and Lampe, who have mastered the language, are ready to leave Sendai and occupy these stations as soon as we will send men to take their places in the College. Unless the Board can appoint three new missionaries this fall, we will not be able to hold the vantage won through the blessing of God, the zeal of our missionaries and our own sacrifices in the past. Brethren, we *must* send several missionaries to Sendai *now*. Who will heed the call? Who will help to send them?

KIND OF TEACHERS.—With the large increase of students in the Girls' School, it will be a risk to compel the three ladies to do all the work during the coming year. We should send a lady of exceptional qualifications as teacher for the school. Dr. Schneder urges the appointment of an additional professor of English in North Japan College. They need these men now. It may be a layman—even a capable lady might answer the purpose well—who is willing to make this his life-

work. Should our missionary Noss decide to accept the professorship in the Seminary at Lancaster, his place in the faculty at Sendai dare not remain vacant. His withdrawal from the Mission will be a great loss. Let us not discourage the missionaries by delaying to send a strong man for the position. Dr. Schneder says the Tohoku Gakuin is now the largest school in the Church of Christ in Japan. It is a vastly important school for Japan, and if we do not have men in our theological department who can attract students and hold their respect, we shall fail in the most vital point of our work.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS.—We turn now to our Mission in China. Wonderful is the story of the unfolding of our work in that vast empire. At Yochow the missionaries have been busy during the past year in the erection of the boys' school, the hospital, the chapel and the missionary residence. The Eastern Synod is pledged to raise \$4,000 for the boys' school. This amount is not sufficient for the payment of the additional land and the buildings. The gift of \$3,000 from Elder George W. and Agnes Hoffman, of Two Taverns, Adams county, Pa., will be applied towards this building. We should have, at the lowest estimate, \$5,000 more to pay for all the buildings at Yochow. Dr. Hoy assures us that he will practice the greatest economy in the erection of these buildings. He says: "It would wonderfully relieve, strengthen and comfort me if the Boys' School Fund, all of it, could soon be in my hands. I want to finish these many building operations, and then study the language. Moreover, we need the new place and the new buildings to do justice to our boys. We have forty students in all. We have some very bright and promising lads. Brother Reimert's Y. M. C. A. is a joy to behold. With such work as a basis, we may expect much." The great need of the boys' school is two teachers. These should be sent out by all means this fall. Dr. William Mann Irvine, of Mercersburg, has kindly promised to contribute \$700, in addition to the \$800 for Dr. Beam, towards the support of a teacher for the boys' school. Mrs. Hoy, who is home on furlough, pleads very earnestly with the Board to send two lady evangelists to China. During the past year we have elected a missionary trained nurse, Miss Grace R. Whitmore, who is now on the field, and a second

medical missionary, Dr. Cyril H. Haas, who expects to sail next July. The Board gratefully acknowledges the help of the women of Mercersburg Classis in providing the outfit money, \$300; of the women of the Ohio Synod for the passage money, \$400; and of the women of the Eastern Synod for \$600, annually for five years towards the support of Miss Whitmore. Rev. S. S. Snyder and family have gone to China, sailing on September 5th. Brother Snyder has been most faithful in his visitations of the churches during his furlough. He returns to the work in the foreign field with the well-wishes of many friends.

GIFT OF BROTHERS.—Reference was made in the report of last year to the offer of the four Chinamen at Chingshi. Some time ago Dr. Hoy notified the Board that two brothers, Chang Shao U and Chang Shao Chu, have donated to us, for the work in Chingshi, a lot of ground measuring 525 feet by 204 feet. In addition to that, they have also donated \$3,000 Mexicans for a high stone and brick wall around the premises. After the completion of the wall the buildings are to be started. A number of men are getting money and materials ready for the buildings. This liberal gift of about \$10,000 has only one condition to it—that we furnish two missionaries. Before the completion of the buildings the teachers should be on the field to acquire the language. Can we afford to disappoint these friends? We should immediately appoint these new missionaries. Are there not fifty congregations, societies, or individuals in the Church who would be willing, in addition to their regular contributions for the apportionment, to pledge \$100, for five years, towards the support of these additional missionaries? This is the only way possible to increase our missionary force. Amid his great trials, Dr. Hoy exclaims: "Would to God our people could see our situation as it really is. In my present trials let our friends stand by us. God will yet make our enemies glorify his holy name."

DR. KELLY, CHENCHOW.—Surpassing the offer of the friends at Chingshi is the providential opening at Chenchow, about 125 miles distant from Yochow. Rev. William Kelly, M. D., a missionary of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, felt it his duty to open a new work at Chenchow, but the board of that Church was not able to enter the field. Without creating

the least unfriendliness, he has withdrawn from the board and carries with him the well wishes of his friends. Since Yochow is the nearest station, he applied to Dr. Hoy, stating the terms on which he would unite with our Mission. Our Board was immediately notified, and Dr. Kelly is now one of our missionaries. In this report we cannot enter into details. Suffice it to say that Dr. and Mrs. Kelly are both good linguists, and they will prove a valuable acquisition to our work. They are capable, affable, earnest and devoted. They are full of sacrifice, and have ever given much to the work. The synods will be pleased to know that the new missionary has made a transfer of his property of Chenchow to our Mission. The compound is about 350 by 450 feet, with a brick wall and stone foundation about eight feet high. The buildings are a residence, a chapel and a dispensary. The property is worth \$4,000 (gold). "It is, all in all, one of the finest mission properties in China." We are glad to know that Dr. Kelly is satisfied with his transition, and he writes: "I believe the Lord has led in it all; and so we enter the work with this assurance, which enables us to give a whole-hearted service." We bespeak for Dr. and Mrs. Kelly the sincere confidence and hearty co-operation of the entire Church. Dr. Hoy writes: "Dr. Kelly is worth more to us than money." But it is due this brother to tell the Church that he brings with him, besides his own property, a gift that should stir the hearts of all our people. From a letter of Mr. G. M. H. Playfair, Acting Consul-General at Hankow, to Dr. Hoy, we gather the inspiring information that our China Mission will receive a special grant of \$25,000, this money to be used for hospital and school purposes at Chenchow. The following communication will explain itself:

H. B. M. CONSULATE GENERAL,
HANKOW, *July 29, 1904.*

Sir: I beg to inform you that H. M. Minister at Peking has notified me that H. M. Principal Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs has sanctioned my proposal that one-half of the Chenchow Indemnity Fund, now in my hands, should be bestowed on the China Mission of the Reformed Church in the United States. This sum is granted for the establishment

of a hospital or school in the city of Chenchow Fu, in Hunan. The only conditions attached to the grant are that an account of the administration of the money be furnished to H. M. Government, and that some tablet be put up in a conspicuous place at the entrance of the new buildings, explaining the circumstances of the grant, namely, that this money was exacted by H. M. Government on account of the murder of the two C. I. M. missionaries, not as blood money, but for the ultimate benefit of the people of Hunan by establishing a charitable institution, thus returning good for ill.

I beg to suggest that you devise a suitable Chinese inscription to this effect and submit to me.

I am, sir, your obedient servant,

(Signed) G. M. H. PLAYFAIR,

Acting Consul-General.

REV. W. E. HOY, Yochow.

FINGER OF GOD.—With all these manifest tokens of the divine favor, will we fail to improve our golden opportunities by not heeding the reasonable demands of our missionaries? May we not accept these special grants as the leadings of Providence, and as a proof that God owns our feeble efforts in the spread of his gospel among the heathen? Should not these gifts constrain all of us to bring liberal offerings for the Lord's work in Japan and China? We plead for 500 special contributions of \$100 each before the end of 1904. Who will be the first to lead off? Who will be the last to complete the \$125,000 which we need to square our accounts before God and with men?

ANNUITY BOND.—The Board has issued an Annuity Bond, which we believe is a safe, wise and kind investment. This offers an opportunity to the friends of foreign missions who may have it in their hearts to help this sacred cause, but who are dependent upon their incomes as long as they live. The Board binds itself to pay the donors, so long as they shall live, an annuity, in semi-annual payments, the amount of which shall be mutually agreed upon, and specified in the bond. The donor helps the Church, through the Board, to obey the Lord's great command to preach the gospel to every creature. The income is certain. The investment is permanent.

OUR CHILDREN.—Foreign Mission Day has proven a great blessing to many Sunday-schools, and we trust the synods will commend its observance to the congregations and schools. This is one way to impart helpful information and will foster an intelligent interest in the work. Some one has said: "The largest success of the cause of missions is in the hands of the young." If this be true, then we do well to inform our children and infuse into their hearts a love for perishing souls.

HISTORY OF OUR WORK.—There is in press an English and German edition of the "History of the Japan Mission," a book full of valuable information in regard to the work during the past twenty-five years. We kindly ask all pastors to give this volume the widest possible circulation, for it has permanent value. We hope to have it ready for distribution by October 15th.

FALLEN ASLEEP.—On May 5, 1904, the venerable Dr. S. N. Callender, Secretary Emeritus of the Board, fell asleep in Jesus. Dr. Callender was elected secretary in October, 1890, and continued to perform the duties of his office until January, 1902. He was a faithful servant and did his work well. May he rest in peace.

Praying God's richest blessing to rest upon your deliberations, and craving your sympathy and help in the prosecution of our work, I remain,

Very cordially yours,

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW,
Secretary.

Philadelphia, September 1, 1904.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

Receipts from September 1, 1903-1904.

SYNODS.	Number of Members.	Amount of Apportionment.	Paid on Apportionment.	Special Contributions.	W. M. S., General Synod.	Receipts all Sources.
Eastern	107,567	\$18,450 00	\$12,621 45	\$11,740 06	.....	\$24,361 51
Potomac.....	39,770	7,240 00	5,427 18	7,019 18	.....	12,446 36
Pittsburgh	19,800	3,375 00	3,628 07	18,17 90	.....	5,445 97
Ohio	25,716	4,685 00	2,562 82	24,09 74	.....	4,972 56
Interior	3,335	535 00	592 52	1081 28	.....	1,673 80
Central.....	23,021	4,125 00	3,601 42	27,50 51	.....	6,351 93
North West	20,555	3,975 00	2,523 31	6,26 83	.....	3,150 14
German East	15,116	2,625 00	1,006 49	7,47 07	.....	1,753 56
W. M. S., General Synod .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$8,077 30	8,077 30
Interest, etc.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,267 01
Total.....	255,880	\$45,010 00	\$31,963 26	\$28,192 57	\$8,077 30	\$69,500 14

SPECIAL OBJECTS.

Receipts from September 1, 1903-1904

Synods.	General Fund.	North Japan College.	Girls' School Building.	Beneficiaries in Japan.	Boys' School Building, China.	Hoy Memorial Hospital.	Beneficiaries in China.	Christian Endeavor Missionary.	Sunday-School Missionary.	Receipts all Sources
Eastern	\$18588 90	\$1959 80	\$2251 00	\$192 50	\$785 71	\$102 35	\$261 25	\$150 00	\$70 00	\$24361 57
Potomac	6386 11	1278 00	791 63	422 50	3154 77	69 35	216 00	37 00	91 00	12446 00
Pittsburgh	3720 54	913 75	381 99	90 00	128 69	81 00	25 00	20 00	85 00	5445 97
Ohio	3749 75	323 95	156 09	155 50	130 87	97 25	113 50	170 00	76 65	4972 55
Interior	905 84	102 74	416 91	54 77	1 00	182 54	10 00	.....	.....	1673 80
Central	3601 42	946 38	1479 06	150 00	104 66	11 30	25 00	15 00	19 11	6351 03
North West	2523 31	290 85	138 94	88 00	54 04	.....	10 00	15 00	30 00	3150 14
German East	1006 49	298 95	134 62	218 50	10 00	.....	50 00	30 00	5 00	1753 59
W. M. S., General Synod.	*7055 11	69 25	613 54	120 00	27 25	75 65	116 50	.....	.....	8277 30
Interest, etc	1267 01	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	1267 01
Total	\$47631 38	\$6183 67	\$6363 78	\$1491 77	\$4396 99	\$619 44	\$827 25	\$437 00	\$375 76	\$69500 14

* Includes:

Outfit, Miss Reifaneider	\$300 00
" " Miss Whitmore	322 80
China Girls' School	209 30
Trained Nurse	341 00

STATISTICS OF JAPAN MISSION, 1903

FIELDS OF WORK.	Pastors.	Evangelists.	Church Buildings.	Meeting Places.	Members.	Additions	Sunday-Schools.	Sunday-School Scholars.	Native Contributions.	Appropriations by Mission.	Value of Property.
Tokyo.....	2	3	4	3	371	24	6	169	\$201 83	\$718 75	\$1650 00
Sendai	5	7	4	6	537	107	12	773	631 02	741 59	21000 00
Fukushima	1	5	3	15	505	125	9	542	239 53	1165 58	1025 00
North Miyagi	1	3	2	5	217	33	4	156	117 88	594 00	600 00
South Miyagi.....	1	3	2	5	186	27	5	179	249 03	522 63	400 00
Yamagata		4	1	11	144	14	5	85	65 51	469 99	1500 00
Akita	1	.....	.....	1	30	19	1	37	47 22	320 65	
Total.....	11	25	16	46	1993	349	42	1941	\$1552 02	\$4533 19	\$26175 00

V. The Report of the Standing Committee on Missions.

The report of the Standing Committee on Missions was presented on Friday during the morning session. It was considered and acted upon item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

The following papers have been referred to your committee:

1. The report of the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions, including the report of J. J. Nissley, Treasurer of the Bi-Synodic Board.
2. The annual report of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.
3. The annual statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

From an examination of these several documents, we learn the following facts:

I. BY-SYNODIC BOARD OF MISSIONS.

All of the Missions under the care of this Board have pastors, and the Missions are reported to be in a good condition, both spiritually and financially. During the year three new missions were enrolled within its bounds, one of which is Hungarian. Two missions within the bounds of the Potomac Synod became self-supporting. The report speaks of the liberality of the people, and that the amount received for Missions, compared with that of last year, is greater by \$3,582.87.

The report calls the attention of the Synod to note that in April, 1905, the Board of Home Missions of General Synod will elect a Superintendent of Missions for these synods, and accordingly recommend that Synod nominate Rev. A. C. Whitmer for this office, for the term of three years.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The total amount paid on the apportionment by the Classes of this Synod was \$24,781.71; \$2,373.05 was received for Church Building on the apportionment; \$3,290.52 was paid into the treasury for Church-building Funds.

II. REPORT OF BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS.

One hundred and eleven Missions are reported under the care of the General Board, the largest number we have ever

had. Of these only three are without pastors. The report says the Missions have been prosperous, and that not a single missionary was disabled in any way during the year, and that all did a good work for the people under their care.

There are now seventeen Hungarian missionaries at work. These Missions are either in cities or thriving towns. They are in the midst of the Hungarian populations, and have plenty of material upon which to work. The Missions are prospering, while the missionaries are doing faithful work. Recently there was an attempt made by the Church in Hungary to have the churches in this country attach themselves to the mother church, the result of which is that six of our seventeen Hungarian missions have withdrawn from us.

The monthly bulletin published by the Board has a circulation of about 26,000, and goes out at the rate of a penny a copy per year. The aim of the Board is to get the facts of their work more generally before our people.

The financial condition of the Home Board is encouraging—\$51,858.86 for Home Missions, \$4,968.09 for Hungarian Missions, \$2,426.58 for German Missions, and \$1,164.37 for the Harbor Mission, making a total of \$60,417.90. The indebtedness at the present time is about \$14,000. There is still another work that is of great importance, and that is of special interest to the Church. The receipts for Church-building during the year were nearly \$10,000. The value of lots held by the Board and the money invested in the erection of churches now amounts to nearly \$350,000.

III. STATEMENT OF THE BOARD OF FOREIGN MISSIONS.

From the report of the Board of Foreign Missions we learn that the past year has been a prosperous one. God has done great things for us whereof we are glad. This year being the quarto-centennial of our Mission in Japan, we have great reason to believe it will mark a notable event in the history of our Church. We now have 21 missionaries, and the receipts for the past year have been \$69,500. Splendid opportunities are opening on every side. Of the \$25,000 promised for the North Japan College buildings, only \$6,000 has as yet been received. It is with great joy of heart that we learn that all of the buildings for the Miyagi Girls' School have been completed, at a total cost of \$26,905.81, with receipts from

all sources amounting to about \$27,000. The credit for the speedy and economical erection of these buildings is due to Rev. W. E. Lampe, who had the sole charge of the building operations. But delightful as the buildings are, the Japan Mission needs more than buildings; it must have at least three additional workers. Let us not discourage the missionaries by delaying to send strong persons for these positions. We learn with pleasure that the Tohoku Gakuin is now the largest school in the Church of Christ in Japan.

When the report takes up the Mission in China it tells a beautiful story. Marvelous opportunities are being unfolded and great offers have been made. At Yochow the missionaries have been busy during the past year in the erection of the boys' school, the hospital, the chapel and the missionary residence. The report calls attention to the fact that the Eastern Synod is pledged to raise \$4,000 for the boys' school, and to this amount will be added the gift of \$3,000 from Elder Geo. W. and Agnes Hoffman, and yet they will need at the lowest estimate \$5,000 more to pay for all the buildings at Yochow. The boys' school, with 40 students in all, need two teachers to be sent out this fall. Then we ought to have two lady evangelists to send to China. We also note with great pleasure the liberal gift of two brothers Chang Shao U and Chang Shao Chu of about \$10,000, which has only one condition, that is, that we furnish two missionaries.

Surpassing the offer of the friends at Chingshi is the providential opening at Chen Chow. Rev. Wm. Kelly, M. D., a Missionary of the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, felt it his duty to open a new work at Chen Chow, but the Board of that Church was not able to enter the field. Without creating the least unfriendliness he has withdrawn from the Board and carries with him the well wishes of his friends, and he is now one of our missionaries. The Synod is pleased to know that the new missionary has made a transfer of his property, consisting of a residence, a chapel and a dispensary, to our Mission. The property is worth \$4,000 gold. But besides his own property he brings with him a gift that should thrill the heart of the whole Church—a special grant of \$15,000 to be used for hospital and school purposes at Chen Chow.

The report also calls attention to an annuity bond which the

Board has issued, and thereby offers an opportunity to the friends of Foreign Missions who may have it in their hearts to help this sacred cause.

The report also acknowledges the gratifying results of last year's Foreign Missionary Day in the Sunday-schools, and suggests a similar observance of the day during the current year.

It also speaks of a pamphlet, the History of the Japan Missions for the past twenty-five years, and requests all pastors to give this volume the widest possible circulation.

The report closes by noting the death of the faithful servant, Dr. S. N. Callender, secretary emeritus of the Board of Foreign Missions.

In view of these facts and statements, it is manifest that the Lord has marvelously blessed this work at home and abroad. The heart of the entire Church beats with devout gratitude for the signal blessings which have attended the labors of God's servants. Brethren, shall we go forward and possess the land in the name of our God, and plant the cross of Christ in the hearts of multitudes of men and women in home and foreign lands? We would recommend the following for your consideration:

1. *Resolved*, That we acknowledge the goodness of God in blessing the labors of the Boards, and in opening up new fields of usefulness for extending the kingdom of God, and hereby call upon all the pastors, elders and people of our beloved Zion, to pledge their hearts and hands for the faithful and fruitful furtherance of the cause of Missions in home and foreign lands.

2. *Resolved*, That we record our appreciation of the earnest efforts which our Boards, through the appointed superintendents and secretaries, are putting forth in the prosecution of the great work in its various phases, and that we have confidence in their management and supervision.

3. *Resolved*, That we commend the charges and congregations of the Classes for their increased liberality in meeting more fully the apportionment, and that we urge pastors and consistories through the Classes to even greater and more strenuous efforts to pay the entire amount apportioned.

4. *Resolved*, That we renew the request of apportioning

six cents per member for Church-building by the Classes, and commend the establishing of Church-building Funds to Classes, congregations, societies and members.

5. *Resolved*, That the apportionment for Home Missions, \$32,370; Foreign Missions, \$18,450; Hungarian and Bohemian Missions, \$3,690; German Missions, \$2,426, and the Harbor Mission, \$492, sent down by General Synod, be again apportioned among the Classes of this Synod.

6. *Resolved*, That Synod heartily approves of the circulation of good literature among the people on the part of the Boards, and heartily commends, "The Home Missionary Bulletin of the Reformed Church," and requests the Classes to urge pastors to secure a larger circulation of the same among their people.

7. *Resolved*, That we recommend to the Classes the observance of Home Missionary Day in the Sunday-schools on the second Sunday of each November.

8. *Resolved*, That Synod is pleased to hear of the increased progress of Foreign Missions, and that we request the Classes to urge the congregations to make even larger contributions that the work may not be retarded.

9. *Resolved*, That Missionary Day be again observed in the Sunday-schools on the second Sunday in February, 1905, and that the offerings be devoted to Foreign Missions.

10. *Resolved*, That it is with joy of heart that we learn of the completion of all the buildings for the Miyagi Girls' School.

11. *Resolved*, That Synod rejoices in the large gifts that have come to our new Missions in China, including the special gifts of Elder Geo. W. and Agnes Hoffman—\$3,000; Chang Shao U and Chang Shao Chu, \$10,000, and Dr. Kelly's property worth \$4,000.

12. *Resolved*, That this Synod records its appreciation of the valuable aid and services that Dr. and Mrs. Kelly will bring to our Mission.

13. *Resolved*, That we commend the annuity bonds favorably to our people, and urge the pastors, through their respective Classes, to present the matter to the people in an intelligible manner.

14. *Resolved*, That we lament the death of Dr. Callender, secretary emeritus of the Board of Foreign Missions.

15. *Resolved*, That Synod requests all pastors, through

their respective Classes, to give the widest possible circulation to the book entitled "The History of the Japan Mission."

16. *Resolved*, That Synod urge the pastors, through the Classes, to encourage young men and women to prepare and offer their services to the Boards of our Missions.

17. *Resolved*, That, upon the adoption of this report, the President of Synod name two or three brethren to lead the Synod in prayer that the Lord of the harvest send laborers into his harvest, for our missions and missionaries both at home and abroad, that we as pastors and people seek for still more wisdom and power from the Holy Spirit in this great work, and that we request Classes to do likewise at their annual meetings.

Respectfully submitted,

I. M. BEAVER,

PAUL J. DUNDORE, GEO. G. GREENAWALD,
WILLIAM LETTINGER, D. NEWTON MILLER.

The Eastern Synod has expressed itself by a unanimous vote in favor of the re-election of Rev. A. Carl Whitmer by the General Board as the Superintendent of Missions.

Before the final adoption of the report on Missions, and in compliance with the 17th resolution, Synod was led in prayer by Revs. Dr. John H. Sechler and W. S. Cramer.

Our Unchurched Membership in Large Cities.

The following resolutions were offered and adopted:

WHEREAS, This Synod has heard of the large number of Reformed people who move into the city of Philadelphia, and who may affiliate themselves with other churches, or who may drift away from the Church altogether; and

Whereas, This fact appeals to our beloved Zion for the founding of churches in those districts to which our people move, therefore be it

1. *Resolved*, That Synod overture the Board of Home Missions, through her superintendent, to request the General Board of Home Missions to take action in this direction.

2. *Resolved*, That, according to the reports of the brethren who reside in Philadelphia, Germantown and West Philadelphia offer opportunities which our Church should at once act upon, and therefore request the General Board to investigate these points.

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

The annual report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was read, and acted upon item by item, and finally the report as a whole was adopted. The following is the report, with the action of Synod appended.

I. Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod.

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: Your Board of Trustees begs leave to offer the following report:

The Board held two meetings during the year at the office of Mr. W. M. Leinbach, Reading, Pa.—the first on March 21, 1904, when Rev. C. E. Creitz was elected president, and Mr. W. M. Leinbach vice-president and secretary; and the second on October 24, 1904, when the president was instructed to lay the following facts and recommendations before the Synod:

1. There is a balance of \$109.54 due the Publication Board for printing minutes of Synod, which balance remains unpaid for lack of funds.
2. The treasurer paid the Publication Board the sum of \$630.03, according to the instructions of Synod, to cover the balance due the Board for the publication of the Minutes of Coetus, of which amount only \$16.09 was repaid from the sale of copies of these Minutes.
3. The treasurer paid \$140.85 interest on loan for the Memorial Reformed Church, Washington, D. C.
4. The following Classes are in arrears on the Washington Memorial Reformed Church to the amount opposite their names:

East Pennsylvania.....	\$364.73
Wyoming.....	152.03
Lehigh.....	722.17
Schuylkill.....	72.40
Lancaster.....	173.20
Lebanon.....	664.44
Tobickon.....	352.55
Total.....	<u>\$2,501.53</u>

5. The treasurer paid \$700 interest on the \$14,000 bonded indebtedness of the Allentown College for Women.

6. Your Board as at present constituted consists of the following persons: Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, term expires January 1, 1909; Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, term expires January 1, 1908; Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach, term expires January 1, 1907; Dr. A. B. Dundore, term expires January 1, 1906; and Rev. S. A. Leinbach, term expires January 1, 1905.

7. The Board audited the report of the treasurer, Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, and found it correct.

In view of these facts, we recommend:

1. That the Synod increase the apportionment for contingent expenses to \$1,000. This may be necessary only for a year or two. But for the present our income does not meet our expenditures.

2. That the Synod take steps to pay off the loan for the Washington Memorial Reformed Church. Members of the Board have made themselves individually responsible for this loan, and they are anxious to be relieved of this responsibility.

3. That the Synod devise some plan by which more copies of the Minutes of Coetus will be sold, so that the treasurer can be reimbursed for the money paid out for their publication.

4. We recommend again an apportionment of \$700 to pay the interest on the bonded indebtedness of \$14,000 of The Allentown College for Women.

5. We recommend the following persons as suitable candidates for the vacancy which will occur in the Board on January 1, 1905: Elder J. J. Nissley, Hummelstown, Pa., and Elder D. Nicholas Schaeffer, Reading, Pa., one to be voted for.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CREITZ, *President*.

The first item in the report of the Board of Trustees of Synod, requesting that the contingent fund be increased \$1,000, was adopted, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

In regard to the indebtedness of Synod in consequence of the loan effected for Washington Memorial Church, D. C., a motion was made and adopted, that the arrearages of the several Classes be reapportioned upon the Classes in arrears, and that interest to the amount of 5 per cent. from the present time be added.

In regard to the money advanced by the Treasurer of Synod in the publication of the Minutes of the Coetus, action was taken referring the subject-matter to a special committee consisting of Revs. Thos. W. Dickert, J. L. Roush and Jas. R. Bergey.

The statement made in the report that the Treasurer paid \$700 on the bonded indebtedness of Allentown College for Women, was accepted, and referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment.

The statement made that the term of Rev. S. A. Leinbach, as Trustee of Synod, expires with the present year, was received, and the vacancy was referred to Committee on Nominations.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

S. M. Gingrich, treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

CONTINGENT FUND, GENERAL SYNOD.

Dr.

East Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$88.00	
Lehigh Classis.....	60.00	
Philadelphia Classis.....	95.00	
Lebanon Classis.....	143.00	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	92.00	
Wyoming Classis.....	35.75	
		<u>\$513.75</u>

Cr.

Paid W. R. Barnhart, treasurer.....	<u>\$513.75</u>
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CONTINGENT FUND, EASTERN SYNOD.

Dr.

Oct. 24, 1903. Balance in treasury.....		\$837.56
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	55.00	
Lehigh Classis.....	80.00	
Wyoming Classis.....	33.00	
Lebanon Classis.....	70.00	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	45.00	
Lancaster Classis.....	42.00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	37.00	
Schuylkill Classis.....	37.00	
Tobickon Classis.....	52.00	
Reading Classis.....	56.00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	9.79	
		<u>\$516.79</u>

From Goshenhoppen Classis, interest on arrears for Memorial church, Washington, D. C.....	11.20
Amount received from Publication Board from sale of minutes of the Coetus.....	16.09
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	<u>\$1,381.64</u>

CR.

Paid C. M. Bowman, printing tickets.....	\$8.00
Paid use St. Mark's church, Lebanon, Pa.....	25.00
Paid Keystone Printing Co.....	31.70
Paid Reformed Publication Board for printing minutes of Coetus.....	630.03
Paid Rev. J. P. Stein, salary as stated clerk.....	175.00
Paid Rev. J. P. Stein, expediting minutes of Synod.	24.45
Paid Rev. T. J. Hacker, expenses Sunday-school Committee.....	6.50
Paid A. B. Koplin, chairman of Committee on Beneficiary Students.....	13.37
Paid Reformed Publication Board, printing minutes of Synod.....	236.06
Paid Report Publishing Co., packing and shipping minutes of Synod.....	1.72
Paid Dr. S. R. Wagner, expenses of Board of Visitors.....	5.00
Paid Dr. E. N. Kremer, expenses of Board of Visitors.....	4.20
Paid Rev. J. P. Stein, expenses of special meeting of Synod.....	5.25
Paid Rev. C. E. Creitz, president, expenses of special meeting of Synod.....	5.17
Paid S. M. Gingrich, treasurer, postage and other expenses.....	7.44
Paid interest on note for use of Memorial church, Washington, D. C.....	140.85
Oct. 24, 1904. Balance in treasury.....	61.90
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	<u>\$1,381.64</u>

HOME MISSIONS.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis.....	\$1,522.55
Tohickon Classis.....	1,341.87
Lebanon Classis.....	1,769.62
Reading Classis.....	3,133.24
Wyoming Classis.....	1,612.66
West Susquehanna Classis.....	1,796.66
East Susquehanna Classis.....	1,570.00
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	2,120.87
Lehigh Classis.....	3,050.00

East Pennsylvania Classis.....	2,400.00	
Lancaster Classis.....	2,118.67	
Philadelphia Classis.....	2,177.58	
		<u>\$24,613.72</u>

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, treasurer of Board of Missions.....	<u>\$24,613.72</u>
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HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Lebanon Classis.....	\$152.18	
Tohickon Classis.....	180.30	
Wyoming Classis.....	152.00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	190.00	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	255.00	
Lehigh Classis.....	290.00	
Philadelphia Classis.....	232.53	
Schuylkill Classis.....	128.25	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	162.50	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	275.00	
Lancaster Classis.....	220.45	
Reading Classis.....	357.00	
		<u>\$2,595.21</u>

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, treasurer of Board of Missions.....	<u>\$2,595.21</u>
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THE HARBOR MISSION.

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis.....	\$31.01	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	40.00	
Schuylkill Classis.....	25.00	
Lehigh Classis.....	50.00	
Lebanon Classis.....	37.00	
Tohickon Classis.....	42.00	
Wyoming Classis.....	20.00	
Lancaster Classis.....	31.65	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	37.00	
Reading Classis.....	48.00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	27.91	
		<u>\$389.57</u>

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, treasurer of Board of Missions.....	<u>\$389.57</u>
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GERMAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis.....	\$158.18
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	190.00

Wyoming Classis.....	113.00	
Lebanon Classis.....	142.00	
Lehigh Classis.....	210.00	
Schuylkill Classis.....	85.00	
Tohickon Classis.....	98.76	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	102.16	
Reading Classis.....	181.00	
Lancaster Classis.....	144.00	
		<u>\$1,384.10</u>

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, treasurer of Board of Missions.....	<u>\$1,384.10</u>
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CHURCH BUILDING.

DR.

Philadelphia Classis.....	\$246.92	
Lebanon Classis.....	249.00	
Lehigh Classis.....	285.00	
Schuylkill Classis.....	161.00	
Tohickon Classis.....	307.60	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	163.57	
Reading Classis.....	432.00	
Lancaster Classis.....	300.00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	275.00	
		<u>\$2,420.69</u>

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, treasurer of Board of Missions.....	<u>\$2,420.69</u>
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SEMINARY AND GERHARD FUND.

DR.

A. Fackler, 12 mos. interest, Kieffer Legacy.....	\$150.00	
Leonard Mounce, 6 mos. interest, Kieffer Legacy...	62.50	
W. I. Clay, 12 mos. interest, Kieffer Legacy.....	75.00	
Jos. Nissley, 12 mos. interest, Kieffer Legacy.....	30.00	
John H. Goss, 12 mos. interest, Kieffer Legacy.....	100.00	
Samuel S. Shenk, 12 mos. interest, Cook Legacy...	60.00	
Henry Alleman, 12 mos. interest, Gerhard Fund....	18.00	
		<u>\$495.50</u>

CR.

Paid John B. Roth, treasurer Kieffer Legacy.....	\$417.50
Paid John B. Roth, treasurer Cook Legacy.....	60.00
Paid John J. Nissley, treasurer of Board of Mis- sions, interest Gerhard Fund.....	6.00

Paid John Hertzler, treasurer of Board of Education, interest Gerhard Fund.....	6.00	
Paid Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, treasurer Foreign Missions, interest Gerhard Fund.....	6.00	
		<u>\$495.50</u>

CURRENT EXPENSES THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Dr.

Lehigh Classis.....	\$205.00	
Lebanon Classis.....	86.00	
Tohickon Classis.....	125.00	
Wyoming Classis.....	56.00	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	1.00	
Schuylkill Classis.....	86.45	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	95.00	
Lancaster Classis.....	77.53	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	45.93	
Philadelphia Classis.....	79.46	
Reading Classis.....	140.00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	27.50	
		<u>\$1,024.87</u>

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, treasurer.....	<u>\$1,024.87</u>
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CATAWBA COLLEGE.

Dr.

Lancaster Classis.....	\$2.25	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	8.88	
		<u>\$11.13</u>

Cr.

Paid M. J. Rowe, treasurer.....	<u>\$11.13</u>
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, BOND ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Oct. 24, 1903. Balance in treasury.....	\$33.22	
Rev. Thos. W. Dickert.....	\$44.25	
J. W. Knappenberger, Hummelstown congregation..	50.00	
J. W. Knappenberger.....	55.00	
		<u>\$149.25</u>
		<u>\$182.47</u>

Cr.

Oct. 24, 1904. Balance in treasury.....	<u>\$182.47</u>
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Dr.

Oct. 24, 1903. Balance in treasury.....	\$175.97	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	52.00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	56.44	
Lebanon Classis.....	60.00	
Schuylkill Classis.....	37.98	
Lancaster Classis.....	41.50	
Lehigh Classis.....	94.00	
Tohickon Classis.....	62.00	
Wyoming Classis.....	30.00	
Reading Classis.....	71.00	
Philadelphia Classis.....	44.41	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	95.28	
		<u>\$820.58</u>

Cr.

Paid C. M. W. Keck, trustee, 12 mos. interest on Bonds to Oct. 1, 1904.....	\$700.00	
Oct. 24, 1904. Balance in treasury.....	120.58	
		<u>\$820.58</u>

MEMORIAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON.

Dr.

Lancaster Classis.....	\$5.00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	2.26	
Lehigh Classis.....	70.93	
Schuylkill Classis.....	58.30	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	48.56	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	134.36	
Tohickon Classis.....	176.28	
		<u>\$495.69</u>

Cr.

Paid Hummelstown National Bank on account of loan.....	<u>\$495.69</u>
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(Balance due on loan, \$2,458.64.)

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. GINGRICH, *Treasurer.**Swatara Station, Pa., Oct. 24, 1904.*

We, the undersigned auditors, have examined the foregoing accounts
and find them correct as stated.

W. M. LEINBACH,
A. B. DUNDOR.

Reading, Pa., Oct. 24, 1904.

ARRANGAGES.

CLASSES	Eastern Synod Contingent.	Home Missions.	Hungarian and Bo- hemian Mission.	German Missions.	Harbor Missions.	Church Building	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.	Memorial Church, Washington.
E. Pennsylvania . . .	\$15 00	\$1100 00	\$145 00	\$90 00	\$11 00	\$521 00	\$164 00	.. ..	\$364 78
Wyoming	31 00	387 34	73 00	43 00	12 00	297 00	49 00	\$13 00	152 08
Lehigh . . . . .	.....	1250 00	205 00	113 00	11 00	490 00	15 00	.....	722 17
Schuylkill . . . . .	.....	447 45	96 75	69 00	7 00	109 00	18 55	5 02	72 41
Lancaster . . . . .	.....	281 33	14 55	26 00	3 35	50 40	39 47	7 50	173 20
E. Susquehanna	28 21	480 00	67 50	52 84	5 09	144 43	60 07	.....	.....
Lebanon . . . . .	.....	1780 38	267 82	133 00	16 00	291 00	108 00	20 00	664 44
Tohickon . . . . .	.....	1308 13	129 70	111 24	.....	109 40	18 00	.....	352 35
Goshenhoppen . . . . .	.....	329 13	.....	180 00	.....	304 00	31 00	10 00	.....
Philadelphia	46 00	322 42	47 47	26 82	6 09	164 08	48 54	8 59	.....
Reading . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	44 00	.....	27 00	20 00	.....	.....
W. Susquehanna . . . .	.....	203 34	35 00	155 00	33 00	18 00	77 50	43 00	.....
.....	110 21	\$7889 52	1101 79	1041 00	105 43	2581 31	\$649 13	107 11	2501 53

OVERPAID APPORTIONMENT.

	Home Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	Harbor Missions.	Seminary Aid.
E. Pennsylvania. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	\$20 28
E. Susquehanna. . . . .	.....	.....	.....	11 44
Tohickon . . . . .	.....	.....	.....	3 00
Reading	\$133 24	\$7 00	\$3 00	7 00
	<u>\$133 24</u>	<u>\$7 00</u>	<u>\$3 00</u>	<u>\$41 72</u>

(a) Report of Permanent Committee in Behalf of Allentown College for Women.

In response to item 5 in report on Minutes of Synod in regard to raising funds for the purchase of Allentown College for Women, the following report was received and referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. Wm. F. Lichliter, Robt. M. Kern and Geo. V. Smith.

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH:

Dear Brethren: As chairman of your committee to raise money toward the purchase of Allentown College for Women, Allentown, Pa., I beg leave to offer the following report:

After having been appointed Chairman of your Committee at the last annual meeting at Lebanon, Pa., it required some time to make arrangements to canvass any congregations. I did succeed in partially canvassing three congregations. I met with a cordial reception and encouraging success.

I had arranged an itinerary for the summer, which involved

lege, who for twelve years had served with faithfulness and success, in June last tendered his resignation. The Board of Trustees accepted the resignation to take effect on July 1, 1904, and put on record "its appreciation of the services and worth of Rev. Knappenberger, and its grateful recognition of the success of his administration."

The Board appointed the Rev. Daniel E. Shoedler, D. D., Acting President of the College; and has a committee to consider candidates for the office of President, and expects soon to be able to elect a President.

The excellent curriculum established by the former President is maintained; the boarding department is giving perfect satisfaction; though no canvass for students could be made during the summer vacation, yet the attendance is normal; and the work of the College is moving forward with satisfaction and success.

The Committee recommends that the following action be taken:

1. *Resolved*, That the Eastern Synod hereby records its gratification at the success of the Allentown College for Women, and commends it to the patronage of the families of the Reformed Church, and others, seeking a worthy institution for the higher education of their daughters.

The Rev. J. Wm. Knappenberger, Chairman of the Permanent Committee on the raising of funds for the payment of the part of the debt of the College assumed by Synod, tenders his resignation. Your committee recommend that the following action be taken:

2. *Resolved*, That the resignation of Rev. J. Wm. Knappenberger as Chairman of this Committee be accepted, and that a chairman be appointed by the President of the Synod at this meeting.

It becomes necessary for the Synod to provide again for the payment of the interest on that part of the debt of the College which it has assumed. The Committee therefore recommends the following action:

3. *Resolved*, That \$700 be apportioned on the Classes for the payment of the interest on the debt assumed, and that this amount be referred to the Committee on Finance for such apportionment.

At the annual meeting of the Synod in 1896, the Classis of East Pennsylvania and the Classis of Lehigh overtured the Synod to assume a part of the indebtedness of the Allentown College for Women, and the Board of Trustees in consideration thereof would provide for the payment of the remaining part of the debt, and transfer the College free of debt to the Synod. The Synod so agreed. In 1900 neither party had met in full its part of the agreement. The Synod then extended the time fixed to June 1, 1903, and again extended the time to June 1, 1905; and as the Board of Trustees has not yet assured the Synod that it will be able to carry out its part of the agreement, it becomes necessary to extend the time to a later date. In this situation the question occurs, is this continued postponement wise and business-like?

In order to meet this situation your committee proposes that the following action be taken:

4. *Resolved*, That the time fixed for the termination of the contract between the Eastern Synod and the Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women, namely, June 1, 1905, be extended to the date of the next annual meeting of the Synod.

5. *Resolved*, That a Committee be appointed to inquire as to all the facts in relation to the agreement existing between the Synod and the Board of Trustees of the College, and if the said Board will be unable to transfer the College free of debt to the Synod by the date of the next annual meeting of the Synod, then to inquire whether the agreement now existing should be continued or discontinued, and if continued, for what length of time so continued; and further, to inquire as to the expediency and desirability of transferring the College with all its indebtedness to the Synod, and to this end to confer with representatives appointed by the authorities controlling the College; and if in the judgment of the conferees it would be desirable and expedient for the promotion of the interests and work of the College that the Synod should assume its debts and take it under its control, they shall report a plan of procedure for such transfer of the College to the Synod, providing therein for the preservation of all corporate rights and privileges.

6. *Resolved*, That the Classis of Lehigh, the Classis of East

Pennsylvania, and the Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women, be and are hereby requested to appoint representatives to confer with the Committee of this Synod as provided in the preceding resolution.

7. *Resolved*, That the Stated Clerk of Synod be instructed to send an official copy of this action to the Classis of Lehigh, the Classis of East Pennsylvania, and the Board of Trustees of the College, and request them to fix a time when their representatives will be ready to meet the Committee of the Synod.

8. *Resolved*, That the Eastern Synod regards the location of the Allentown College for Women in a center of Reformed Church life and influence as very favorable for its work, and more earnestly desires its prosperity and success, and therefore urges that its Committee and the College authorities plan carefully and well for the increased usefulness and wider influence of the College in the sphere of higher education for women.

Respectfully submitted, . . .

WM. F. LICHLITER,
ROBERT M. KERN.

The President appointed Rev. Wm. F. DeLong chairman of Committee to raise funds for Allentown College for Women, and Revs. J. F. DeLong, S. R. Wagner and E. S. Noll a committee of Synod on Conference with Trustees of Allentown College for Women.

II. Report of Standing Committee on Finance.

The report on Finance was presented on Monday, the fifth day of the sessions, the several items acted on, and the report as a whole was finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Your Committee on Finance respectfully offers the following report:

There were referred to us the report of the Treasurer of Synod, properly attested by the Auditors. Also the report of the Board of Trustees of Synod, together with the amounts to be apportioned among the Classes.

From the report of the Board of Trustees we learn that the amount of \$400 was paid during the last year on the loan of the Washington Memorial Church, and that the balance now amounts to \$2,501.53.

Resolved, That Synod calls the attention of the several

Classes in arrears on the Washington Memorial Church to its action in re-apportioning their respective arrearages.

Resolved, That Synod requests each Classis in arrears on the Washington Memorial Church Fund to pay 5 per cent. interest annually on such arrearages.

Resolved, That Synod call the attention of the following Classes in arrears on the Eastern Synod Contingent Fund: East Pennsylvania, \$15; Wyoming, \$21; East Susquehanna, \$28.21; Philadelphia, \$46.

The following amounts were referred to us for apportionment:

Eastern Synod Contingent	\$1,000.00
Home Missions.....	32,370.00
Foreign Missions.....	18,450.00
Hungarian and Bohemian Missions..	3,690.00
German Missions.....	2,426.00
The Harbor Mission.....	492.00
Church Building.....	5,140.00
Seminary Aid.....	2,125.00
Allentown College.....	700.00
Total.....	\$65,693.00

CLASSES.	Eastern Synod Contingent Fund.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Hungarian and Bohemian Missions.	German Missions.	Harbor Missions.	Church Building Fund.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College	Washington Memoria Arrearage.
Lehigh.....	\$130	\$4,300	\$2,500	\$495	\$322	\$61	\$822	\$295	\$24	\$722 17
Lebanon	115	3,550	2,100	420	275	53	549	235	80	664 44
E. Pennsylvania..	100	3,500	1,975	400	240	51	533	205	75	364 73
Reading.....	100	3,000	1,700	350	225	45	469	202	64	
Tohickon ...	88	2,650	1,550	310	210	42	431	182	99	352 55
Philadelphia.....	81	2,500	1,400	280	185	38	428	163	53	
Goshenhoppen....	80	2,450	1,375	275	180	37	359	161	62	
Lancaster	80	2,400	1,300	255	170	35	355	150	49	173 20
E. Susquehanna ..	66	2,050	1,175	230	155	33	321	133	45	
Wyoming	66	2,000	1,125	225	155	32	295	133	43	152 03
W. Susquehanna ..	66	2,000	1,125	225	155	33	306	133	43	
Schuylkill	66	1,970	1,125	225	154	32	272	133	43	72 41

Respectfully submitted,

ROBT. O. BOYLE,

CHAS. D. LERCH,

R. J. GERY,

CHAS. H. SLINGHOFF, HENRY KERN.

An order was granted on the Treasurer of Synod for \$25 in favor of the Consistory of St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Perkasié, Pa., for the use of the Church to the Synod in holding its annual sessions and to cover incidental expenses.

An order was granted in favor of Jas. W. Blatt of \$8 for the purchase of nine volumes of the Lectures of the late Rev. Wm. Rupp, D. D., in type-written copies, neatly executed and well bound for preservation in the Synodical Archives.

D. N. Schaeffer, Esq., Reading, Pa., was elected a member of the Board of Synod.

Elder Samuel M. Gingrich, Swatara Station, Pa., continues as Treasurer of Synod.

ARTICLE XVI.

APPEAL AND REFERENCES.

The judgment of the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, in regard to several items contained in report concerning Irregularities, was sustained.

The first item under the head of Requests in the report on the Minutes of Classes, coming from East Susquehanna Classis, was referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. D. W. Gerhard, D. E. Schaeffer and J. N. Faust, who subsequently presented the following report, which was adopted:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Your committee appointed to give answer to the East Susquehanna Classis asking for information "as to whether or not the six cents per member which Synod requests for Church-building is to be over and above the amount indicated in the regular apportionments," respectfully reports as follows:

The apportionment handed down by Synod to the various Classes covers the amount needed to meet the obligations the Boards have assumed for the support of brethren under appointment by the Mission Boards, whereas the six cents per member for Church-building is applied to the erection of houses of worship; therefore the six cents per member which Synod requests for Church-building is to be over and above the amount indicated in the other apportionments.

Respectfully submitted,

D. W. GERHARD.

The second request in the report on Minutes of Classes, made by West Susquehanna Classis, asking permission of Synod to use the amount apportioned for church-building in the interest of the Lewistown Mission, was granted.

In response to the third request in the report on Minutes of Classes, the following action was taken:

Resolved, That Synod hereby recognizes the request, and respectfully asks Lebanon Classis to define as to what it means.

ARTICLE XVII.

COMPLAINTS.

Nothing occurred under this head requiring the attention of Synod.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The report of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod, and the report of Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Sunday-schools:

Annual Report of the Sunday-school Board of the Reformed Church.

TO THE DISTRICT SYNODS:

Dear Brethren: With grateful hearts we report a year of steady growth in the work of the Sunday-School Board.

I. THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The most important fact of interest in this department was the issue, January 1, of a Hungarian-English Sunday-school Lesson Help, published monthly. This should be the beginning of a great work. Our Hungarian brethren are pleading for help to train their church members and young people to the idea of American Christianity. The Board has aided in the establishment of several Hungarian-English Sunday-schools, but the experience of other churches and the investigation of our Board indicates the necessity of a colportage plan. The colporteur among the immigrants is a missionary of patriotism; his presence, his words and his literature all tend to promote a better understanding of the American spirit and the development of the American type of character.

Since the principal work of this Board is among children—plastic citizens of to-morrow—it is evident that all its influences are calculated to promote a higher and finer type of national character. As the youth of to-day is moulded, the State and the Church of to-morrow will be. Real patriotism, therefore, is expressed by the Sunday-school Board's form of missionary endeavor, both in furnishing literature to our brethren who come from abroad and in aiding pastors and workers to establish new schools. It is a profound principle, accepted by all Christians, that the best way to make our nation great is to make its people good, so "For God and Native Land" may be truly inscribed upon the offerings of our schools, made to the Sunday-school and Missionary Departments.

A full report of the offerings and the work done will be made at the approaching meeting of the General Synod, but in passing it is gratifying to note that the offerings from our schools in this important work are increasing, a larger number of schools giving to this cause year by year.

II. THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

The following is a report of the Business Department for the year ending March 31, 1904:

ASSETS AND LIABILITIES.

Assets.

Cash on hand.....	\$3,412.96	
Accounts receivable.....	12,824.22	
Mdse., Philadelphia.....	\$10,814.95	
Less 10 per cent.....	1,081.50	
	<hr/>	\$9,733.45
Stock of paper for periodicals.....	803.44	
Cash paid in advance on periodicals (2d quar.)...	1,755.76	
Furniture and fixtures, total cost \$2,113.84 (charged off).		
Plates, engravings, etc.:		
Last year.....	\$814.51	
New plates.....	301.85	
	<hr/>	\$1,116.36
Less one-third for depreciation.....	372.12	
	<hr/>	\$744.24
	<hr/>	<hr/>
		\$29,274.07

Liabilities.

Capital, April 1, 1903.....	\$22,139.32
Periodicals paid for 2d, 3d and 4th quarter, 1904, not supplied.....	3,502.23
Accounts payable.....	328.96
Royalty due Society for Relief of Ministers and their Widows on sale of Sunday-school Hymnals.	150.00
	<hr/> \$26,120.51
Net gain.....	\$3,153.56

The total sales of the Business Department for the year were \$64,028.96, a healthy gain in the volume of business over the preceding year.

The Board expresses its gratification over the fact that its schools and young people's societies are learning to purchase all the material they need from the Sunday-school Board.

As in other years, \$600.00 have been appropriated from the earnings of the Business Department to the work of the Sunday-school missions. The balance was applied to the capital account in order to meet the growing necessities of the business.

Among the new publications just issued are Standard Selections for Easter, Children's Day, Rally Day, Harvest Home and Christmas, edited by the secretary, and a muslin Wall Chart—Books of the Bible—intended as a supplemental lesson help. A new song book for Sunday-schools and young people's societies, entitled "Standard Songs," is in press. This is published to meet the demands of those schools wishing a smaller and less expensive book than the Sunday-school Hymnal, and one that can be especially used for young people's meetings.

Perhaps the most important publication has been the issue of the first volume of the Sunday-school Teacher Training Course. This book is the joint production of the Presbyterian Church, North and South, the Cumberland Presbyterian, United Presbyterian, and Canadian Presbyterian, and our Reformed Church. Each section has been prepared by a specialist, and the denominational issue of Volume 2 of the Course will give important lessons relating to the history, benevolent and missionary work of our Reformed Church. The price of the book is 25 cents per copy.

It is the purpose of this Teacher Training Course to give fundamental Bible facts and to point out the fundamental laws and processes by which power and insight, as well as mere knowledge, may arise in the human mind, and to apply this pedagogic guidance to the teachers in the Sunday-school.

Improvement in our Sunday-schools waits on the teachers. Improvement of teachers waits on the pastor and the superintendent and upon the unceasing efforts of the Church at large. We, therefore, trust your reverend body will give due consideration to this subject, and, through the classes, recommend the establishment of a teacher-training class in every Sunday-school.

Another important feature of Sunday-school work which has had encouraging growth and emphasis in the last year is the Beginners' Class, with its special course of lessons, covering a period of two years. The Board has arranged to give "Teaching Hints for Teachers of the Beginners' Course" in the columns of the Heidelberg Teacher. Appropriate picture cards for the little ones have been issued. The beginners—children from the age of three to six—should be placed in a separate class, with separate course of lessons, and, where possible, in a separate room, with their own opening and closing exercises. We trust Synod will call the attention of the classes to this method of nurture and instruction of the little ones.

We are glad to note an unusual interest in the organization of the Cradle Roll and of the Home Department of the Sunday-school. These features indicate that our churches, and those in authority, are appreciating increasingly the covenant idea of our holy religion, and the necessity, accordingly, of the educational methods which will link the parents and the teacher together in moulding, guiding and inspiring the children and youth of the Church.

Praying the blessing of God's Holy Spirit upon your deliberations, and asking a continuance of the hearty co-operation of the Synod and classes in the better utilization of the splendid possibilities of the Sunday-school as the teaching department of the Church, this report is respectfully submitted.

C. CLEVER, *President.*

RUFUS W. MILLER, *Secretary.*

October 1, 1904.

Summary of Statistics of Eastern Synod. 1904.

CLASSES.	Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Home Department.	Total.	Sunday-school Board.	Other Boards.	Other Benevolent Objects.	School.
Lebanon	54	1,101	7,629	302	9,032	\$149 62	\$747 42	\$714 49	\$7191 14
Philadelphia	39	902	8,035	781	9,718	68 00	1907 00	1397 00	5920 00
Lancaster	49	995	6,781	.....	7,776	206 96	771 43	2513 88	3654 57
Tohickon	50	891	6,829	.....	7,720	30 12	565 81	682 03	2822 12
Goshenhoppen	32	662	4,770	77	5,509	184 00	824 00	502 00	3474 00
Lehigh	77	1,482	13,227	620	15,329	207 00	1195 00	1940 00	6143 00
Schuylkill	18	571	4,818	342	5,731	129 00	344 00	1425 00	3510 00
Wyoming	48	721	6,303	81	7,105	173 00	734 00	428 00	3433 00
Reading	27	895	8,255	887	10,037	174 00	1983 00	2342 00	5638 00
E. Pennsylvania	76	1,317	10,040	220	11,577	153 00	547 00	233 00	6517 00
E. Susquehanna ..	52	649	5,635	628	6,912	84 00	637 00	708 00	2569 00
W. Susquehanna .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals	122	10,156	82,322	3,938	96,446	\$1558 70	\$10255 66	\$10945 40	\$50871 83

Report of Eastern Synod's Permanent Sunday-school Committee.**TO THE EASTERN SYNOD:**

Dear Brethren: Your Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools respectfully reports that there was no conference held this year between your Committee and the Committees on Sunday-school Work of the various Classes of Synod, as was the case in former years, and therefore we are not in a position to make clear statement of the condition of this department of the churches' activity within our bounds, but can only give such information as may be gathered from the statistics furnished by the Sunday-school Board of General Synod, and herewith placed before you as an appendix to this report. From the statistics we gather the following: There are 3 schools less than last year, and the total enrollment has fallen off to the extent of 2,314. We hope that this is a statistical error and not an actual fact. On the contrary, we find that the contributions to the Sunday-school Board have increased \$92, and the increase to other Church Boards and to other benevolent objects has been \$1,000 and \$500 respectively. Furthermore, the schools have increased the expenditures for their own use to the amount of \$17,000 during the year. This latter aspect of our Sunday-school work is certainly encouraging.

Your Permanent Committee begs to suggest a plan to this Synod which we believe will work to the advantage of all the interests concerned, and at the same time reduce the working machinery of Synod, and furthermore prove to be without expense to this body. Before stating the plan, attention is called to the fact that every Classis has now, and has had for some years, a Standing Committee on Sunday-schools: furthermore this Synod has a Standing Committee on Sunday-schools, and it is assumed that if the Classical Committees were brought in closer touch with the Synod's Standing Committee, the necessity for a Permanent Committee would be obviated. Therefore we recommend, first, That the Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools be discharged: second, That Synod requests the Classes to instruct the Chairman of the various Classical Sunday-school Committees to submit a duplicate of their reports made to the Classes, together with full and complete statistics to the Stated Clerk of Synod.

These reports, together with the statistics of each and every Classis, to be placed by the Stated Clerk into the hands of Synod's Standing Committee on Sunday-schools as soon as appointed at every annual meeting of Synod. Furthermore, it should be made the duty of said Standing Committee to review all said Classical reports and statistics, and gather therefrom such information as will give a clear yet concise view of conditions of Sunday-school work within the bounds of Synod; setting forth clearly at least three things: First, things accomplished, that is to say, where new schools were organized, gain in membership, or anything actually done for the advancement of the cause; second, present conditions: where there is a lack of interest or, per contra, where the interest manifested has produced results, by comparison, whether there has been loss or gain and the reason for either; third, future needs, setting forth the continuously growing needs of the Sunday-school, and proposing such action to the Synod as to meet the needs of the future.

It will be readily observed that by this method a vital and closer relation will be established between the Classes and the Synod in this department of church work, and no doubt better results will follow. We earnestly recommend its kind consideration by Synod.

It may be stated, in conclusion, that the term of your chairman expires with this session of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

T. J. HACKER, *Chairman.*

Report of Standing Committee on Sunday-schools.

This report was presented on Friday during the afternoon session, and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Sunday-schools begs leave to submit the following report:

The following documents were referred to us: The report of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod; the report of the Permanent Sunday-school Committee of Synod, and the Sunday-school statistics of the several Classes.

In the first place we note that these papers all read well. They fill one with a sense of joy because of the work that has been and is being done along the lines of Sunday-school

work in our beloved Zion; they will create a renewed enthusiasm in the hearts of both pastors and people for Sunday school work, and give the hope of the employment of more efficient force in the future.

The Permanent Sunday-school Committee of Eastern Synod reports a gratifying increase in benevolent offerings. The fact that the schools have increased the expenditures for their own use to the amount of \$17,000 during the year deserve special praise.

The plan suggested by this said Permanent Committee namely, that the Synod's Permanent Committee on Sunday schools be discharged, and that Synod requests the several Classes to instruct the Chairmen of the various Classical Sunday-school Committees to submit, through the Stated Clerks of the several Classes, a duplicate of their reports made to Classis together with full and complete statistics to the Stated Clerk of Synod, meets with our approval, and urgently request the several Classes to take cognizance of the action of this Synod in this particular, and endeavor to obtain the most accurate reports and statistics of the Sunday-schools of their charges and forward the same to the said Stated Clerk of Synod, who shall then refer these reports and statistics to the Standing Committee on Sunday-schools.

The report of the Sunday-school Board of General Synod is very encouraging. All its departments are evidently progressing in the right direction. The work among the Hungarian English Sunday-schools is being carried forward by means of printed matter in the form of Lesson Helps published monthly.

The Board suggests Bible men among these immigrants in order to promote, by their presence, words and literature, "a better understanding of the American spirit, and the development of the American type of character."

The Business Department reports "a healthy gain in the volume of business over that of the preceding year." This Committee joins in with the Board in expressing its gratitude over the fact that the Sunday-schools and Young People's Societies are gradually coming to the support of the Sunday school Board in purchasing the needed material. This is only as it should be.

We note a number of new publications issued by the Board, and request a recognition of these on the part of Synod and the several Classes. Prominent among these publications is the "Sunday-school Teacher Training Course." Pastors ought to urge the teachers of their respective Sunday-schools to make use of this valuable help. As the teacher so the scholars.

Graded work is urged. A large increase of the Cradle Roll and Home Department organizations is noted with our highest praise and hearty approval.

H. L. FOGLEMAN, *Chairman of Com.*
 CALVIN D. YOST, S. L. MESSINGER,
 MARTIN BUSHONG, J. A. MEYER.

ARTICLE XIX.

PUBLICATION.

The undersigned begs leave to report in response to item 6 in Report on Minutes of Synod, that in accordance with instructions 4,000 copies of the "Acts and Proceedings of the 157 annual sessions of Eastern Synod held in Lebanon, Pa., were printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distributed among those entitled to receive them according to the rules and regulations of Synod in the case. The work was done by the Reformed Publication Board, at a cost of \$297.35, and the Minutes were distributed in January.

JOHN PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have printed 4,100 copies of the Minutes of the present sessions of Synod, bound in pamphlet form, and to distribute the same to those entitled to receive them.

Annual Report of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States.

TO THE EASTERN, PITTSBURGH AND POTOMAC SYNODS:

Dear Brethren: Your Board of Publication hereby submits to your reverend bodies its annual report for your considera-

tion. According to its established rule, the Board held two regular meetings during the year, the one on the first Wednesday in March and the other on the first Wednesday in September. The business and condition of the institution which your Board represents will appear in the financial statement herewith submitted. It will be noticed that this statement presents the condition of the business at the close of the year on June 30, 1904.

In regard to the losses and gains as they appear in the statement the manager says: "We have earned in the book department almost \$300 less than last year, though there has been steady growth in the regular run of business. Last year's profits were exceptional, because of the unusual sale of the Expositor's Bible, netting us from \$700 to \$800 clear profit. The 'Messenger's' loss is nearly \$400 less than last year." We are glad to be able again to report that the business in the book department is in a prosperous condition and that the future is promising, for the reason especially that after November 1st, this year, your Board will publish the Hymnal and Directory, which will enable the management to gain more profit from the sale of these books. Though the making of new plates for the Hymnal and the getting out of the books will involve the Board in considerable expense for the present, it is, however, expected that the profits on the sale of the works will, during the next few years, reimburse the Board for the present outlay. We ask for the continued and increased patronage of the book department by the ministers and people of the synods. In regard to the "Messenger," it affords us pleasure to report less loss in its publication. Nevertheless, the deficit is still too large. It ought to be gradually and rapidly reduced until the paper has become self-sustaining. The cause for the loss in this department, as can easily be understood, lies in the low price, \$1.25 per year, at which the "Messenger" is furnished to its subscribers. The character of the Church paper dare not be lowered, and therefore the remedy for this abnormal condition must be found in a largely increased circulation. The subscription list has been growing, but it is not yet nearly as large as it ought to be. At the low price for which the paper is furnished the management cannot afford to pay commission to agents for securing

new subscribers. We, therefore, request the synods to lay upon the minds and hearts of pastors the necessity of interesting themselves in the increased circulation of the "Messenger" among their people. The Board, by resolution passed at its meeting of March 9, 1904, overtures the synods "to set apart the last Sunday in January annually as Church Literature Day, with special reference to the circulation of the 'Messenger.'" You will notice by the financial statement that the offerings received on last Messenger Day amounted to \$107.52; it is to be hoped that these offerings will increase from year to year.

The "Review" was again published at a loss. This ought not to be. It ought to be made to pay for itself. As Dr. William Rupp, the leading editor, had died, it was necessary that new arrangements be made for editing this publication. The Board accordingly took the following action:

"Resolved, That Prof. George W. Richards, D. D., be appointed editor-in-chief of the Reformed "Church Review," with instructions to select such associate editors as in his judgment may seem advisable, said associate editors to be chosen with the view of having the institutions and Church in general represented."

The purpose of this action is to popularize the "Review" and to gain for it a larger circle of interested readers and supporters. We request that each synod, this year, ascertain how many of its members are subscribers to the "Review" and how many are not, and report the result to the Publication Board.

At the meeting of the Board in March last Mr. Francis E. Heller, constrained by increasing ill health, tendered his resignation as business manager of the Board, said resignation to take effect not later than the first of September. His resignation was "reluctantly accepted," and a committee was appointed to secure a suitable successor. Up to date no manager has been chosen, but temporary arrangements have been made for the conduct of the business until a permanent manager has been secured. The last report of the retiring manager submitted to the Board contains the following statement:

"My greatest pleasure in retiring from the management of your business lies in the fact that, as a result of almost five

years spent in your service, I am able to leave you with an annual book trade more than trebled, and showing many customers and friends added, and with the promise of still greater increase, and a subscription list to the 'Messenger' numbering almost seven thousand more paid-in-advance subscriptions than I found when I came. During the last six months we have printed and circulated 262,866 copies of the "Messenger"; multiply this by 24, the regular number of pages, and you have 6,309,264 pages of religious and denominational news distributed. The rendering of such service is delightful. * * * The freedom from all complications enjoyed to-day in our present comfortable quarters, the being independent of the Religious Press Association and certain one-time printers for the Publication Board, the systematized office departments, and many other present good things, all have cost their price and can best be appreciated by those who helped to pay for them."

The accounts of the manager were duly audited at the close of the year, and he was instructed to prepare the accompanying statement, to which reference has already been made. In regard to this statement the manager says: "It has been the earnest desire of the retiring manager to submit to you, at this time, and to hand over to the incoming manager a thoroughly clean balance sheet, one of which no item needs to be discounted." In carrying out this purpose some items heretofore included in the account of resources have been dropped and others reduced. This accounts for the fact that the net capital reported this year is \$3,704 less than last. The capital as given this year is \$20,692.05, and the net gain at the close of the year was \$844.61. We believe that the statement submitted is a safe and reliable representation of your publication plant.

STATEMENT.

The following is the statement of the entire business of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church, as shown by the combined reports of Jas. T. Reber, treasurer, and Francis E. Heller, business manager, for the year ending June 30, 1904:

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.

RESOURCES.

Cash.....	\$2,285.82
Cash invested bonds and mortgages.....	5,000.00
Accounts receivable Book Department.....	3,033.92
Accounts receivable advertising.....	456.03

Merchandise Book Department.....	8,021.67	
Merchandise "Messenger".....	397.54	
Furniture and fixtures.....	1,247.07	
Rent paid in advance.....	250.00	
		<u>\$20,692.05</u>

LIABILITIES.

None.....		
New capital, June 30, 1904.....	\$20,692.05	
		<u>\$20,692.05</u>

LOSSES AND GAINS.

BOOK DEPARTMENT.

Inventory July 1, 1904.....	\$8,021.67	
Credits for year.....	22,799.80	
	<u>\$30,821.47</u>	
Inventory July 1, 1903.....	\$9,581.80	
Debits for year.....	19,090.19	
	<u>\$28,671.99</u>	
		<u>\$2,149.48</u>
Interest on investments.....		170.00
Royalty from Sunday-school Board.....		750.00

MESSENGER.

Inventory July 1, 1903.....	\$540.34	
Debits for year.....	22,339.25	
	<u>\$22,879.59</u>	
Inventory July 1, 1904.....	\$397.54	
Credits for year.....	20,503.02	
	<u>\$20,900.56</u>	
		<u>\$1,979.03</u>

REVIEW.

Debits.....	\$1,101.21	
Credits.....	1,058.00	
	<u>\$43.21</u>	

FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.

Inventory July 1, 1903.....	\$1,422.15	
Debits ..	117.77	
	<u>\$1,539.92</u>	
Inventory July 1, 1904.....	\$1,247.07	
Credits.....	200.62	
	<u>\$1,447.69</u>	
		<u>\$92.23</u>
Expenses of Board meetings and committees and printing of reports.....		110.40
Net gain.....		844.61
		<u>\$3,069.48</u>
		<u>\$3,069.48</u>

Respectfully submitted,

W RUSH GILLAN, *President.*A. E. TRUXAL, *Secretary*

Report of Standing Committee on Publication.

The Standing Committee on Publication submitted its report on Saturday during the afternoon session. It was considered and acted on item by item and finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

FATHERS AND BROTHERS: Your Committee on Publication offers the following report:

There was placed in our hands the annual report of the Publication Board. We recommend the following:

1. That Synod hail with pleasure the prosperous condition of the Book Department, and the prospective increase of its business, through the publication of the Hymnal and Directory.

2. That Synod commend to pastors and people their increased patronage of the Book Department.

3. That we express our appreciation at the increased circulation of the "Messenger," that Synod lays upon the minds and hearts of pastors and people the excellent character of the "Messenger" as a church paper, and the importance and value of placing it in every family of the Church, and recommend that the last Sunday in January be set apart as Church Literature Day.

4. That Synod laments the decease of Rev. William Rupp, D. D., the late editor of the "Reformed Quarterly Review," that we express our approval of the action of the Board in appointing Rev. George W. Richards, D. D., as editor-in-chief, and that we heartily commend the "Review" to pastors and people.

5. That Synod regrets the resignation of the efficient Business Manager Mr. Francis E. Feller and bears cheerful testimony to promptness and courtesy with which he conducted the business of the Board, and trust that, in a more favorable climate, his health may soon be restored.

Respectfully submitted.

M. N. GEORGE

D. M. WOLF I. S. STAHR

J. R. ELLIS A. S. MANN

The fourth item in the report was adopted with a rising vote. John W. Bickel, Esq., of Norristown, Pa., was re-elected as a member of the Publication Board.

ARTICLE XX.

BETHANY ORPHANS' HOME AND OTHER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The forty-first annual report of Bethany Orphans' Home was referred to the standing committee on this subject. The following report was also received from the Superintendent of this institution, which reads as follows, to wit:

I. Bethany Orphans' Home.

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The Board of Managers of your Orphans' Home at Womelsdorf, Pa., since the last meeting of your reverend body, have been put to the necessity to find a new superintendent and their choice has fallen upon me. I took official charge of the institution on August 1st. The retiring superintendent was very kind and helpful to me and with rare patience and remarkable forethought taught me the details of management and prepared me to meet the problems that would be likely to arise and puzzle me in the administration of my office. I have tried to profit by his kind help so that the change of administration might disturb as little as possible the usefulness and the development of the institution.

The external and internal condition of the Home at the time when I took charge is well set forth in the printed annual report which I commend to your careful perusal. In that report, the Board of Managers has also seen fit to order the printing of my inaugural address, from which those who care to read it may learn the spirit in which I entered upon the work and the principles which shall govern me in its prosecution. Up to this time I have been able to do but little more than to keep things going in the good old way, meanwhile getting a good grasp on the situation and becoming thoroughly acquainted with the employes and the inmates of the Home.

Nine children have entered the Home since I took charge up to the time of this writing and ten more are admitted by action of the Board but have not yet come. One hundred and twenty-nine are in the Home now; 78 boys and 51 girls. Thirteen of these are under 6 years of age and are housed in Frick-Cottage. Of the total number already entered and

yet to come 65 boys and 43 girls are from within the bounds of Eastern Synod.

Three children have left since I came. Edward Hiller was taken away by his mother into her own home. Saddle Heist having reached the age of eighteen left and has entered the employ of Allentown College for Women as servant girl; and Bessie Shipe has entered the middle class of the Millersville State Normal School.

The Good Lord has again made our fields and gardens fruitful and with his blessing upon the care and industry of the working forces of the Home and with the effective working of his Spirit upon the hearts of his people throughout the Church the necessities of so large a family have been regularly met and many comforts have been provided; for all of which we teach the children to thank the Lord and to be grateful to his people and generous and helpful to each other.

We shall feel ourselves bound to take the very best of care of the children whom you may be constrained to send to us and invite you to continue your interest and to share in the blessed privilege of helping to care for the fatherless children of the church.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON F. MORE, *Supt.*

Womelsdorf, Pa., October 22, 1904.

Report of Standing Committee on Bethany Orphans' Home.

The following report was received on Friday during the afternoon session, acted on item by item and adopted. It is as follows:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Fathers and Brethren: The forty-first annual and the Superintendents' report of Bethany Orphans' Home were submitted to your Committee on Orphans' Home and other benevolent institutions. This report is very complete, and contains many important facts and items of more than ordinary interest. We note the resignation of Superintendent T. M. Yundt, and the election and installation of his successor, Rev. W. F. More, of Catasauqua. There are 129 children in the Home at this time, 108 of whom are from within the bounds of this Synod.

The farm is in splendid condition, and the Church has

been liberal in the support of the Home during the past year. Therefore, be it

1. *Resolved*, That we express our highest appreciation to the retired Superintendent and matron of Bethany Orphans' Home for their untiring labors during their eighteen years' efficient service.

2. *Resolved*, That Synod pledge its loyal moral support to the new Superintendent.

3. *Resolved*, That the several Classes be urged to continue without any abating interest the annual Christmas offering for orphans.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. KERN, *Chairman*.

II. Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

A communication and a statement concerning the Society for Relief of Ministers and their Widows was presented in report on Overtures, and referred to Standing Committee on Benevolent Institutions. The statement is as follows, to wit:

FREDERICK, MD., *October 12th, 1904.*

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Fathers and Brethren: As treasurer of "The Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States," we present for information the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same within your bounds for the year ending September 30th, 1904:

RECEIPTS.

Reading Classis.....	\$175.00
Philadelphia Classis.....	144.21
Lebanon Classis.....	130.00
Lancaster Classis ..	115.55
Lehigh Classis ...	85.00
Schuylkill Classis	71.43
Wyoming Classis. . . .	67.00
Tohickon Classis....	65.00
Goshenhoppen Classis.	65.00
West Susquehanna Classis. . . .	43.25
East Susquehanna Classis	16.99
East Pennsylvania Classis.	15.00

\$993.43

EXPENDITURES.

East Pennsylvania Classis, seven annuitants...	\$415.00
East Susquehanna Classis, five annuitants.....	260.00
Lehigh Classis, five annuitants.....	250.00
Lancaster Classis, three annuitants....	175.00
Philadelphia Classis, three annuitants...	125.00
West Susquehanna Classis, two annuitants ...	125.00
Wyoming Classis, two annuitants.....	125.00
Reading Classis, one annuitant.....	100.00
Schuylkill Classis, one annuitant.....	75.00
Tohickon Classis, one annuitant.....	75.00
Goshenhoppen Classis, one annuitant.	60.00
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	\$1,785.00

From the above statement it will be seen that, though the contributions from the churches of the different Classes were larger than last year, they were not sufficient to meet the appropriations made by the Society to the annuitants within the bounds of the Synod. It is to be hoped that the coming year will show more liberal offerings to the noble cause of relief to the needy minister and widow.

With the prayer that the Holy Spirit may guide you in your deliberations, I am yours fraternally,

SIMON S. MILLER,
Treasurer and Solicitor.

The officers of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States present for publication in the minutes of your reverend body the following statement of the financial operations of the same for the year ending September 30th, 1904:

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury October 1, 1903.....	\$4,064.70
Cash from loans paid.....	13,420.00
Cash from Joshua Brunner estate.....	4,171.73
Cash from interest on investments.....	2,947.72
Cash from collections in the churches.....	2,715.53
Cash from individual gifts.....	161.50
Cash from royalty on Sunday-school Hymnal.....	150.00
Cash from Pittsburgh Synod (special).....	300.00
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Total.....	\$27,931 18

EXPENDITURES.

Paid for re-investment.....	\$13,420.00
Paid for new investment—	
Joshua Brunner bequest.....	\$4,171.73
Life memberships.....	2,210.00
Cash.....	348.27
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	\$6,730.00
Paid to sixty-one annuitants.....	4,002.22
Paid for treasurer's salary and bond.....	610.00
Paid for traveling expenses of treasurer.....	100.49
Paid for stationery and postage.....	19.86
Paid for Executive Board.....	2.76
Cash in treasury September 30th, 1904.....	3,045.85
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Total.....	\$27,931.18

ASSETS.

Invested fund.....	\$65,825.00
Cash in treasury.....	3,045.85
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	\$68,870.85

The following ministers have become life-members during the year:

Revs. J. G. Kerschner, Frederick Maurer, Wenzel Walenta, John Bachman, D. D., Frederick Schaad, A. E. Schade, Ph. D., Mabry L. Herbein, Daniel E. Schaeffer, Casper Brunner, Charles A. Bushong, Aaron M. Gluck, Preston A. DeLong, John D. Hicks, Albert F. Nace, Charles B. Rebert, Samuel G. Wagner, D. D., Nathan C. Schaeffer, D. D., James N. Bachman, Hugo Eickelberg, George F. Mull, Richard C. Schiedt, Ph. D., Gustavus Dolch, D. D., John Knierim, Edward S. Bromer, Franklin H. Ruloff, John E. Terborg, William H. Shults, Oliver P. Foust, Henry Nau, Tilghman R. Deitz, R. Franklin Main, James Heffley, Wm. E. Hoy, and Charles S. Wieand.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

Rev. J. David Miller, President, Everett, Pa.; Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D. D., Vice-President, Harrisburg, Pa.; Rev. John W. Pontius, Secretary, Middletown, Md.; Rev. Simon S. Miller, Treasurer and Solicitor, Frederick, Md.; Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D. D., Assessor, Frederick, Md.; Rev. H. F. Dittmar, Assessor, Jefferson, Md.

Report on Society for Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

The Standing Committee on Benevolent Institutions presented part of its report on Friday during the afternoon session, which was adopted. It is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

A statement showing the receipts and expenditures for the year ending September 30, 1904, was submitted to your Committee. From his statement we note that the receipts amounted to \$993.43, and the expenditures \$1,785, and that the contributions were not sufficient to meet the appropriations made by the Society to the annuitants within the bounds of the Synod. We note with pleasure that the contributions from the churches of the different Classes were larger than last year. We therefore pray that the different Classes take renewed interest in this Society, and hasten the day when receipts and expenditures will at least balance.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT W. KERN, *Chairman.*

III. Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home.

The following communication was presented by the Committee on Overtures on Saturday, and referred to the Standing Committee on Benevolent Institutions. It reads as follows, to wit:

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD OF THE REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES:

Reverend and Dear Fathers and Brethren: Please allow me herewith respectfully to call the Synod's attention to "The Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home," located at Allentown, Pa.

This institution is held and controlled by a Board of Trustees, as provided for by the joint actions of Tohickon, Lehigh and East Pennsylvania Classes, and as such is an enterprise which belongs to the Reformed Church

A very desirable property has been secured as the nucleus of what it is fondly hoped, may come to be a large and well-equipped institution of its kind, from which streams of mercy may flow out into every section of our beloved Church.

The property is located on Turner street, in the city of

Allentown, Pa., and comprises about three acres of land, on which is erected a large three-story brick dwelling, furnished with all modern conveniences, and is in good condition.

On October 13th this institution was solemnly dedicated to the service of God, under the name of "The Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home." On this occasion a profound and impressive address was delivered by the Rev. T. F. Herman on the office of the Christian Deaconess, and the great need of her work in the present state of society and the Church.

A strong and thrilling address was also made by the Rev. F. M. Youndt; he dwelling more largely upon the Old Folks' Home.

This Home is to be the training school and permanent abode for deaconesses and for the aged. A suitable building for limited hospital work is to be erected as soon as the way opens for a service so necessary. Other buildings are to follow.

A matron has been secured in the person of Miss Johanna M. Bower, a lady in every way eminently qualified for so important a position.

Several candidates for Deaconess work are now in course of training.

This work is threefold: 1. That of caring for the sick. 2. Parish assistance in comforting the needy, distressed and sorrowful, and reclaiming the fallen. 3. The Christian instruction and nurture of the children in the Sunday-schools and homes of the needy.

Several old people have been received into the Home, and are tenderly cared for.

This work of mercy is the fruit of the Synod's action and recommendation, and is well worthy of the Church's recognition, confidence and support, and we ask the Reverend Synod to commend the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home to the confidence, esteem and support of our people.

For a more full consideration of this subject we refer the Reverend Synod to the report of the President of the Board of Trustees, as that is contained in the last pages of the inclosed copy of the Minutes of the Tohickon Classis, together with the circulars which also accompany this communication.

Trusting that the Reverend Synod may see fit to take such action as will best promote the interests of this new and needy

institution of mercy, and assuring you of our earnest prayer that the Great Head of the Church may preside over you in your deliberations, and that his blessing may ever rest upon our beloved Zion,

I am yours in Grace,

A. B. KOPLIN,

President, Board of Trustees of The Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home.

Hellertown, Pa., October 28, 1904.

Report on Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home.

The report of "Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home" submitted to the Committee on Overtures was referred to the Standing Committee on Benevolent Institutions. The Committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Dear Brethren: Your Standing Committee on "The Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home," located in the city of Allentown, Pa., would respectfully offer the following report:

There were referred to your committee the following: A communication to the Eastern Synod by the Rev. A. B. Koplin, D. D., President of the Board of Trustees of the aforesaid Home, and several circulars. These documents set forth the origin, aim and scope of this institution. The property is located on Turner street, near 19th, in the city of Allentown, and comprises about three acres of ground, on which is erected a large three-story brick dwelling with all modern convenience. Miss Johanna M. Baur, a lady well qualified for the position, has been secured as matron. Feeling the need of such an institution in this section of the Reformed Church, your committee recommends the following resolutions:

1. That the Synod expresses its approval of the revival of the office of Deaconess.

2. That the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home, located at Allentown, be commended to the confidence and liberality of our people.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. KERN,

A. F. DREISBACH, SCOTT R. WAGNER,

DAVID SCHEIRER, W. P. LONG.

ARTICLE XXI.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Nothing occurred requiring attention.

ARTICLE XXII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Standing Committee on Nominations, to whom were referred the several vacancies occurring on the various Boards, presented a report on Friday during the morning session, which was adopted.

The committee suggested the following nominations:

For Trustee of Synod: Elder J. J. Nissley—D. N. Schaeffer, Esq.

For Trustee of Franklin and Marshall College—S. P. Heilman, M. D., and Jer. S. Hess.

For Trustees of Theological Seminary—Elders J. J. Nissley, John B. Roth, John W. Appel, Esq., E. S. Burkholder, C. E. Freed and Thos. F. Leh.

For the Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary—Revs. E. N. Kremer, D. D., James Crawford, D. D., John Ph. Stein, D. D., Wm. D. Happel, Ph. D., Chas. E. Creitz and Thomas J. Hacker, D. D.

Board of Publication—John W. Bickel, Norristown, Pa.

The election for Trustee of Synod was held on Friday, during the afternoon session. The President appointed Revs. James R. Bergey and Thomas H. Krick tellers. The roll was called and the ballot taken, which resulted in the election of D. N. Schaeffer, Esq., Reading, Pa.

The election to fill the vacancies occurring on the several Boards on the remainder of the ticket, was made the order of the day on Saturday at 10 a. m.

At the appointed hour the election was held. The President appointed Revs. W. S. Cramer and E. E. Kresge as tellers. The roll was called and the ballot taken, which resulted in the election of S. P. Heilman, M. D., Trustee of Franklin and Marshall College; Elders J. J. Nissley, John B. Roth and John W. Appel as Trustees of Theological Seminary; Revs. E. N. Kremer, D. D., C. G. Creitz and W. D. Happel as members of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Semi-

nary, and John W. Bickel as a member of the Board of Publication.

Members of Eastern Synod in Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary—John W. Appel, Esq., John B. Roth and J. J. Nissley, term expires December 31, 1910; George G. Heilman, Jer. S. Hess and John Hertzler, term expires December 31, 1908; Jacob H. Stein and John D. Skiles, term expires December 31, 1906.

Members of Eastern Synod in Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary—Revs. Dr. E. N. Kremer, C. E. Creitz and Wm. D. Happel, term expires December 31, 1908; Revs. Dr. Samuel G. Wagner, N. C. Schaeffer, D. D., and B. B. Ferer, D. D., term expires December 31, 1906.

Board of Publication—John W. Bickel, Esq., term expires December 31, 1908; H. M. Housekeeper and James F. Reber, term expires December 31, 1906.

Provision for the Relief of the Widow of the Late Rev. E. V. Gerhart, D. D.

In response to the fifteenth item in the report on Minutes of Synod, referred to a special committee, the following report was presented to Synod and adopted:

As chairman of the committee to whom was referred the subject-matter of item sixth in the call for the special meeting of Synod in Reading, Pa., on June 14, 1904, namely to consider the propriety of making suitable provision for the widow of the late Rev. E. V. Gerhart, D. D., I report that only two members of the committee are here, namely, Rev. D. R. W. Miller and myself, Elder J. J. Nissley being absent, and that we are unable to agree upon a report; but we have agreed that each shall state his views to the Synod for consideration. Therefore I desire to report that the committee already in June last applied to the Relief Society for an annuity for Mrs. Gerhart, which by this time doubtless has been probably granted \$100; and I may add that friends of the late Rev. Dr. Gerhart have paid to the widow the sum of \$400 for present relief.

Now in reference to the main question at issue, my judgment is that Synod is not justified in making the proposed provision.

Respectfully,

A. C. WHITMER.

Resolutions of Sympathy.

The following resolutions of sympathy for afflicted brethren were adopted:

The Eastern Synod, assembled in annual session in Perkasie, Pa., in the midst of its business sessions, is not unmindful of the trials of some of our absent brethren, among whom we mention Rev. John M. Titzel, D. D., of Lancaster Classis, and Rev. Eusebius H. Dieffenbacher, of Wyoming Classis, now resident at Strawberry Ridge, Pa.

Both of these brethren are confined to beds of sickness, and are passing through the trials that always accompany protracted illness. Therefore,

Resolved, That Synod hereby sends greeting to these brethren, who, although absent in body, yet in the communion of saints we recognize their presence with us.

Resolved, That we invoke upon them, and all other aged brethren, and such as are in distress, the sustaining grace of God, and pray that the Great Head of the Church may magnify his grace in them as is most conducive to his own glory and the best interests of these our brethren.

Report on the Sale of Minutes of Coetus.

The third item in the report of Trustees of Synod was referred to a special committee consisting of Rev. Thomas W. Dickert, I. L. Roush and James R. Bergey, who presented the following report on Saturday during morning session, which was adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: Your Committee to whom was referred the matter of providing for the sale of "Minutes of the Coetus," so that the Synod may be reimbursed for the deficit on the publication of said volume, begs leave to present the following resolutions:

1. That we commend to the members of Synod this historical record, which should find a place in the library of every minister and intelligent layman.
2. That the Stated Clerk be instructed to communicate with the other Synods of the Church, requesting them to bring the work to the attention of their members.

3. That a committee of twelve, composed of one member from each Classis, be appointed to canvass their respective Classis during the current year, reporting the result of their work to the Stated Clerk of Synod prior to the next annual meeting of Synod. The personnel of said committee is as follows:

East Pennsylvania Classis—Rev. F. H. Moyer.

Lebanon Classis—Rev. Paul J. Dundore.

Philadelphia Classis—Rev. C. D. Yost.

Lancaster Classis—Rev. D. G. Glass.

East Susquehanna Classis—Rev. Robert O'Boyle.

West Susquehanna Classis—Rev. J. M. Runkle.

Goshenhoppen Classis—Rev. J. L. Roush.

Tohickon Classis—Rev. Elmer S. Noll.

Lehigh Classis—Rev. H. L. Fogelman.

Schuylkill Classis—Rev. G. W. Hartman.

Wyoming Classis—Rev. W. D. Happel.

Reading Classis—Rev. W. E. Harr.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES RILEY BERGEY.

THOMAS W. DICKERT,

In connection with the foregoing report the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the attention of the Trustees of Synod be called to the fact, that a committee has been appointed, consisting of one member from each Classis, on the sale of the Minutes of Coetus published by order of the Synod, and that said Trustees be and hereby are requested to furnish any literature that may be needed, and to co-operate with said Committee, so that Synod may be reimbursed for the money expended in the publication of said Minutes.

Lectures by the Late Rev. Wm. Rupp, D. D., and Other Books Issued During the Year.

In the third item on report on Overtures, Synod's attention is called to the Lectures of Dr. Wm. Rupp, Professor of Practical Theology in Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa., in nine type-written volumes, price \$800, edited and well executed by James N. Blatt, at his own expense. Synod by its action ordered the purchase of the copy of the nine volumes,

and gave direction for their preservation in the Archives of Synod.

In the fifth item on Report on Overtures acknowledgement is made of the presentation of a booklet by Rev. A. Houtz, giving a brief history of his twenty-five years in the Christian ministry. The book was received with thanks, and ordered to be placed in Synod's Archives.

In the tenth item in Report on Overtures the attention of Synod was called to the publication of a book on the Life of Rev. C. S. Gerhard, D. D., deceased. Synod approved of the undertaking, and commended the book to the membership of the Reformed Church.

Addresses Delivered During Sessions of Synod.

Rev. Clayton H. Ranck, resident pastor of Mercersburg Academy, presented the merits of that institution in regard to the Christian training exerted on the boys, and the adaptation of its curriculum in preparing them for entrance into any of the colleges of the country.

The courtesy of Synod was also accorded to Rev. Dittmar, who addressed Synod on the subject of Missions; to Prof. Edwin M. Hartman, who presented the subject of the larger endowment of Franklin and Marshall College; to Rev. Dr. R. W. Miller, who presented the cause of the Sunday-school and its Publications, and Rev. W. F. More, who expressed his thanks in behalf of the Board for the good-will and liberality shown by the Church in the support of Bethany Orphans' Home, and an earnest solicitation for its continued sympathy, gifts and prayers.

Dr. John S. Stahr presented the claims in a fitting address of Franklin and Marshall College, and Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Richards, of the Theological Seminary.

Reporters to the Press.

At the beginning of the sessions the President appointed Revs. Thomas W. Dickert, Wm. F. Lichliter and W. H. Mader as reporters. At the close of the sessions the following report was received and adopted:

TO THE EASTERN SYNOD:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: As Reporters to the newspapers

we have performed our duty to the best of our ability, and to the apparent satisfaction of their representatives in this community.

Respectfully submitted,
THOS. W. DICKERT, *Chairman*

Place and Time of Next Annual Meeting.

Invitations were received, as will appear in "Report on Overtures, from the Reformed Church in Lehighton; St. John's Church, Williamsport, and St. Stephen's Church, Reading. Pa. In the election Synod expressed its choice in the selection of Williamsport, Pa. Synod decided to hold its next annual sessions, beginning on the last Wednesday of October, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in St. John's Reformed Church, Williamsport, Pa.

Excuses and Leave of Absence.

On Friday during the afternoon session the president appointed Revs. D. G. Glass, J. W. Bell and W. H. Mader a committee on leave of absence. At the close of the sessions the committee presented its report, which was adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

TO THE REVEREND EASTERN SYNOD:

Dear Fathers and Brethren: Your Committee on Excuses and Leave of Absence beg leave to report that the following brethren have asked for leave of absence, and we recommend that they be excused:

Rev. R. M. Kern, Lehigh Classis, Saturday all day.

Rev. S. Schweitzer, Lancaster Classis, after Saturday morning.

Rev. A. J. Bachman, Lebanon Classis, Saturday to close.

Rev. J. P. Bachman, Lehigh Classis, Saturday to close.

Rev. D. G. Glass, Lancaster Classis, after Saturday noon.

Rev. G. W. Royer, East Susquehanna Classis, Wednesday evening and Thursday, and after Saturday.

Rev. D. E. Schaeffer, Reading Classis, Wednesday evening and Thursday, and after Saturday.

Rev. G. W. Hartman, Schuylkill Classis, Saturday morning roll call and after Saturday noon.

Rev. David Scheirer, East Pennsylvania Classis, Friday noon to close.

Rev. Wm. F. Lichter, Lancaster Classis, after Saturday noon.

Rev. E. E. Kresge, Lehigh Classis, after Saturday noon.

Rev. C. B. Alspach, Philadelphia Classis, after Saturday noon.

Rev. J. N. Faust, Philadelphia Classis, after Saturday noon.

Rev. W. H. Mader, Tohickon Classis, after Saturday noon.

Rev. D. W. Gerhard, D. D., Lancaster Classis, after Saturday.

Rev. J. H. Sechler, D. D., Philadelphia Classis, after Saturday.

Rev. P. H. Hoover, Wyoming Classis, after Sunday.

Rev. A. M. Schaffner, East Susquehanna Classis, after Sunday.

Rev. Chas. Slinghoff, Philadelphia Classis, after Sunday.

Rev. J. L. Roush, Goshenhoppen Classis, after Saturday.

Rev. J. M. Runkle, West Susquehanna Classis after Monday morning.

Elder David Wirt, Lehigh Classis, Saturday to close.

Elder Martin Bushong, Philadelphia Classis, Friday evening to close.

Elder A. N. Brown, Philadelphia Classis, Friday evening to close.

Elder E. H. Burkholder, Lancaster Classis, Saturday noon to close.

Elder Daniel P. Fistar, Lehigh Classis, Saturday morning to close.

Elder J. R. Ellis, Philadelphia Classis, Saturday morning to close.

Elder G. J. P. Raub, Lancaster Classis, after Saturday.

Elder Cornelius Loose, Lebanon Classis, after Saturday.

Elder J. J. Gassart, Lebanon Classis, after Saturday noon.

Elder W. P. Long, Wyoming Classis, after Saturday noon.

Elder N. H. Laros, East Pennsylvania Classis, after Saturday morning.

Elder W. A. Smawley, Wyoming Classis, after Saturday morning.

Elder Chas. S. Shelley, Lancaster Classis, after Saturday noon.

Elder Henry Thomas, Wyoming Classis, after Saturday noon.

- Elder David Scheirer, Lehigh Classis, after Friday noon.
 Elder J. Sherer, Schuylkill Classis, after Saturday morning.
 Elder A. S. Mann, Wyoming Classis, after Saturday noon.
 Elder Hiram Feather, Goshenhoppen Classis, after Saturday noon.
 Elder William Lettinger, Philadelphia Classis, after Saturday noon.
 Elder Chas. E. Freed, Tohickon Classis, after Saturday.
 Elder Samuel Moyer, Lebanon Classis, after Sunday.
 Elder Harry Francis, Philadelphia Classis, after Sunday.
 Elder Reading Gery, Goshenhoppen Classis, after Saturday.
 Elder I. F. Brown, W. Susquehanna Classis, on Monday morning.
 Elder Meyer, West Susquehanna Classis, on Monday morning.
 Elder Althouse, Tohickon Classis, on Monday morning.
 Elder Hahn, East Pennsylvania Classis, on Monday morning.
 Elder Peter L. Diener, Reading Classis, on Monday morning.

Respectfully submitted,

J. W. BELL,

W. H. MADER. THOS. S. LAND, *secundus*.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were offered and adopted unanimously:

1. *Resolved*, That a vote of thanks be tendered the pastor and congregation of St. Stephen's Reformed Church, Perkasié, Pa., for the hospitable manner in which they entertained the Synod; also to the choir of the congregation for the excellent music rendered at all the services.
2. *Resolved*, That in view of the elaborate and most excellent meals furnished the members of Synod by the Ladies' Aid Society, we express our sincere thanks and heartiest appreciation.
3. *Resolved*, That this action be transmitted to the congregation, choir and Ladies' Aid Society by their pastor.
4. *Resolved*, That the Stated Clerk be instructed to extend the thanks of Synod to the General Passenger Agents of the

various railroads leading to this town for courtesies granted to the members of Synod in issuing tickets at excursion rates to its delegates.

5. *Resolved*, That the sum of \$25 be paid to the Treasurer of St. Stephen's congregation for the use of the church and incidental expenses.

The business of the Synod being completed, the roll was called, and the delegates present answered to their names. Those absent were excused. The minutes of the morning session were read and approved, whereupon the minutes as a whole were adopted.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ADJOURNMENT.

The following was adopted before adjournment, namely:

Resolved, That when Synod adjourns finally, it be to meet in annual sessions October 25th, 1905, at 7.30 p. m., in St. John's Reformed Church, Williamsport, Pa.

Synod adjourned finally on Monday at 11 a. m., October 31st, with religious services. The members of Synod assembled in front of the chancel, joined in the Confession of Faith and the Lord's Prayer. The Long Metre Doxology was sung, and Synod was dismissed with the apostolic benediction by the President.

V. W. DIPPELL, *President*,

JOHN PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Official copy of original minutes,

JOHN PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

1. EAST PENNSYLVANIA CLASSIS, 1904. J. G. Bupp, Stated Clerk.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS	Members.			Additions.			Deaths.			Sunday-Schools.	Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.			
			Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed of Profession.	Discontinued.	Engaged of Alliance.		Deaths, 1 month.	Deaths, 1 year.		Renewal Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
C. J. Becker.	Catawissa, Pa.	Superannuated	4	778	534	692	20	26	5	10	21	4	7	78	510	\$432 00	\$9300 00	12
D. F. Brendle, D. D.	Bethlehem, Pa.	Superannuated	5	688	545	370	20	37	3	5	16	4	7	78	610	345 00	1570 00	24
J. E. Smith, D. D.	Bath, Pa.	Moore Township	3	931	906	247	25	16	10	5	1	5	1	26	255	202 00	4000 00	12
F. W. Smith.	Effort, Pa.	Pleasant Valley	1	545	481	300	27	16	38	12	11	5	1	44	450	700 00	5000 00	16
William F. More.	Catawissa, Pa.	Salem, Catawissa	1	545	481	300	27	16	38	12	11	5	1	44	450	700 00	5000 00	16
G. A. Schwedes.	Bethlehem, Pa.	Christ Bethlehem	3	450	343	444	30	6	6	1	10	16	3	69	45	190 30	1278 00	45
B. F. Laury.	Broadheads, Pa.	Broadheads	1	400	273	200	31	21	6	42	6	3	2	20	140	181 00	850 00	10
R. C. Weaver.	Bethlehem, Pa.	Forks	2	1100	865	650	79	31	30	5	11	5	2	66	306	628 00	2400 00	18
W. H. Wolring, B. D.	Nazareth, Pa.	Dryland	1	140	131	103	12	1	1	3	3	2	1	23	200	230 00	2140 00	10
G. J. Lishberger.	Perkasie, Pa.	Without charge	1	140	131	103	12	1	1	3	3	2	1	23	200	230 00	2140 00	10
John F. DeLong, D. D.	Bethlehem, Pa.	Freemansburg	1	378	268	190	41	13	17	1	5	2	1	31	300	465 00	1993 00	15
E. L. Kemp, Sc. D.	E. Stroudsburg, Pa.	Prin. of N. School	2	263	241	200	16	7	23	3	19	6	2	26	433	280 75	1466 83	16
J. G. Kupp.	Northampton, Pa.	Grace Northampton.	2	341	287	190	20	3	17	10	5	16	2	70	405	292 98	1317 53	13
F. H. Moyer.	West Bethlehem, Pa.	West Bethlehem	1	243	182	140	10	1	5	2	12	9	5	27	186	312 00	1500 00	5
W. H. Brong.	Wind Gap, Pa.	Plainfield	1	204	190	17	1	0	26	6	4	2	1	20	160	120 00	1600 00	10
W. U. Hefrich.	Bath, Pa.	Bath	1	457	347	190	21	2	31	9	4	2	1	63	547	444 00	3600 00	13
Thomas A. Huber.	South Bethlehem, Pa.	Superannuated	1	290	242	100	24	1	27	3	3	2	1	32	240	157 46	2000 00	14
W. H. Erb.	Bethlehem, Pa.	St. Paul's, Bethlehem	1	370	345	175	30	9	9	6	30	10	3	30	374	220 10	900 00	14
H. H. Sangreco.	Easton, Pa.	St. Mark, Easton	1	256	195	155	11	14	82	1	3	1	1	32	288	247 45	7211 05	16
J. W. Gills.	Cherryville, Pa.	Miner's, Easton	1	256	195	155	11	14	82	1	3	1	1	32	288	247 45	7211 05	16
E. A. Frantz.	Bangor, Pa.	Kreidersville	1	193	119	11	1	1	1	2	6	2	1	23	315	103 10	2506 00	6
I. M. Beaver.	Siegried, Pa.	Bangor	4	452	365	550	48	15	3	4	7	6	7	135	414	221 50	1061 00	24
M. N. George.	Stroudsburg, Pa.	Siegried	3	394	280	170	30	36	4	14	10	1	3	49	470	225 00	1573 00	23
O. H. E. Rauch.	Parryville, Pa.	Towamensing	3	500	413	120	14	20	16	2	10	3	5	43	103	337 44	1091 00	19
C. A. Bule.	Stone Church, Pa.	Mt. Bethel	2	371	273	130	27	23	24	3	6	4	2	24	106	337 51	900 50	12
H. H. Long.	Nazareth, Pa.	Farmersville	2	200	180	100	10	17	8	2	4	2	1	106	152	152 00	500 00	14
H. J. Ehret.	Weaversville, Pa.	Howertown	2	162	88	8	8	17	3	2	5	3	2	207	41	41 69	887 50	6
David Schelmer.	Albiontown, Pa.	Schoenersville	2	312	235	95	36	1	4	1	5	6	4	60	143	143 00	1110 00	10
F. A. Grib.	Solota, Pa.	Hamilton	1	245	195	130	15	3	4	1	4	2	1	91	224	244 63	3123 25	10
W. H. Miller.	Tannersville, Pa.	Tannersville	1	157	117	100	10	1	1	1	4	2	1	13	109	140 00	767 00	10
H. F. Gass.	Easton, Pa.	Grace, Easton	1	157	117	100	10	1	1	1	4	2	1	13	109	140 00	767 00	10
H. H. Kupp.	Welshport, Pa.	Welshport	1	157	117	100	10	1	1	1	4	2	1	13	109	140 00	767 00	10
P. M. Heimer.	Catawissa, Pa.	Catawissa	1	157	117	100	10	1	1	1	4	2	1	13	109	140 00	767 00	10

3. PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS, 1904. John H. Sechler, Stated Clerk.

MINISTERS	POST OFFICE ADDRESS	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS	Members			Additions			Losses			Sunday schools		Contributions		Minutes Wanted
			Congregationalists	Communion	Uncommunioned	Infant Baptisms	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed	Cert of Profession	Discontinued	Expatriated	Deaths	Deaths	Beneficent Purposes	Constitutional Purposes	
J. H. Hendricks, D. D.	Collegeville, Pa.	Collegeville	4	434	374	17	2	12	12	9	5	8	34	827 40	1713 00	25
Edward D. Miller	W. Pickett, Pa.	St. Peter's, W. Pickett	1	49	42	10	1	2	2	0	0	1	11	60 00	178 00	6
James Crawford, D. D.	1714 Mt. Vernon, Phila.	Christ Church, Phila.	1	267	155	27	3	6	6	0	1	1	17	11748 00	4154 42	12
Joshua D. Deitch	West Chester, Pa.	St. Luke's, N. Wales	1	209	170	48	7	6	0	2	8	2	18	188 63	1975 00	12
John H. Sechler, D. D.	3404 Powelton Ave., Phila.	Prof. Urs. Sch. Theo	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. T. Spangler, D. D.	Collegeville, Pa.	Prof. Ursinus College	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Orab Wether	North Wales, Pa.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
David N. Dittmar	Jefferson, Md.	Field sec of B of H M.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charles H. Cron, D. D.	151 N. 7th St., Phila.	Trinity, Phila.	1	630	420	20	4	18	17	6	4	1	64	8075 00	4500 00	20
Jerome K. Henry	40 Richmond Sq., Boston.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Abraham H. Stoner	Collegeville, Pa.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
David L. Wolf, D. D.	Blue Bell, Pa.	Rechen's	1	300	237	7	1	1	4	2	9	1	20	302 22	2503 00	15
Henry F. Seiple	Lansdale, Pa.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Joseph F. Butler	Collegeville, Pa.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Cyrus J. Musser, D. D.	198 Arch St., Phila.	Ed Ret. Ch. Messengr.	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wm. A. Long, Ph. D.	205 Arch St., Phila.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
R. C. Zartman, D. D.	1813 Oxford St., Phila.	Heidelberg	1	703	700	175	24	10	6	10	20	14	3	706 84	6300 00	16
H. A. Bomberger, D. D.	2112 N. 17th St., Phila.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
S. L. Messinger, B. T. D.	Trappe, Pa.	St. Luke's, Trappe	1	322	249	43	8	12	6	6	4	2	25	601 24	8402 20	15
Wilson Delaney	616 St. James, Br'd'w, N. Y.	Without Charge	1	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Geo. H. Miller	Pottstown, Pa.	Shenck's	1	127	87	57	4	2	0	...	...	2	29	102 00	1483 00	6
Chas. B. Alsopch	2138 S. 10th St., Phila.	Messiah	1	253	212	114	25	23	19	8	13	4	1	187 69	4017 81	15
Abner S. Dechant	4312 Elwood Ave., Phila.	Oak Lane	1	53	62	18	3	3	3	8	...	...	1	93 12	3614 15	12
A. H. Hilsbush, Ph. D.	Lindfield, Pa.	St. Vincent	1	140	115	50	2	11	2	...	...	3	1	117 15	1253 77	15
" " Supply	Lindfield, Pa.	Lindfield	1	83	73	25	4	29	48	12	...	...	1	25 00	500 00	15
Albert S. Bromer	11 & Hunt'g'n Sts., Phila.	Glouce	1	610	534	244	27	11	21	11	24	4	2	1302 00	411 84	13
Morgan A. Putera	231 Tasker St., Phila.	Bethel	1	45	33	7	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	47 41	147 00	13
Fred A. Ripley, Jr.	Fort Washington, Pa.	St. Paul's, White Marsh	1	286	166	46	1	3	20	10	17	...	1	1020 00	1420 00	9
Edward F. West	1206 Walnut St., Phila.	First Church, Phila.	1	463	364	81	6	28	20	4	14	3	35	740 00	94 59	10
Harry E. Jones	2617 N. 20th St., Phila.	Philadelphia	1	181	100	40	12	4	13	6	6	0	1	257 00	303 10	10
Franklin M. Fisher	2617 N. 20th St., Phila.	University	1	190	127	41	7	4	27	1	6	...	1	142 00	2104 00	17
Chas. H. Mumford	Jefferson Ave., Pa.	Bracebridge's	1	313	223	51	7	6	14	2	15	...	1	207 41	1004 00	17

Elwood W Middleton	2445 Sycamore St., Phila.	Treas.	1	180	149	24	4	1	8	16	0	1	1	37	234	6325	00	91700	00	12
Calvin D. Yost	Chubb, Pa.	Pleasantville	1	303	244	73	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	20	143	287	10	1080	00	9
Pinmet C. Suit	Anaconda, Pa.	St. Matthew's	2	423	150	87	4	1	1	4	1	1	1	40	242	175	12	2165	36	13
Harry W. Bright	Norristown, Pa.	Vacation	1	324	257	71	7	1	0	1	1	1	1	37	249	412	00	4000	00	15
Benoni Sales	Norristown, Pa.	Christ Northtown	1	208	179	83	8	1	10	12	2	1	1	31	219	261	84	1918	35	10
J. M. S. Isenberg, B. D.	Spring City, Pa.	First Ch. Spring City	1	428	353	98	21	8	12	16	0	1	1	40	217	411	64	6124	00	13
Thomas L. Bickel	4018 Harting St., Phila.	St. John's, Phila.	1	381	217	77	10	2	14	40	4	1	1	24	214	622	59	2870	12	20
Jacob N. Faust	Spring City, Pa., R. F. D. 3	East Vincent	1	184	68	100	4	2	2	2	1	1	1	16	310	180	65	1725	89	10
Stephen Virag	Trenton, N. J.	Hungarian, Trenton	1	181	121	31	46	8	8	2	1	1	1	2	30	70	03	893	00	14
Arthur C. Thompson	Norristown, Pa.	Trinity, Norristown	1	328	259	110	10	10	21	16	10	1	1	42	443	347	09	3122	00	12
Howard E. Koder	Phoenixville, Pa.	St. John's, Phoenix	1	208	129	113	8	1	1	3	0	1	1	25	144	194	34	1305	00	14
Ladislav Belezky	Phoenixville, Pa.	Hungarian, Phoenix	1	230	190	10	6	1	1	1	1	1	1	35	85	10	87	582	00	0
Vacant	Wyoming, Delaware	St. John's, Delaware	1	51	49	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	78	51	17	343	56	8
Vacant		Bethany Tabernacle	1	120	85	...	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	22	192	137	64	2515	20	13
				98	6912	7137	5117	822	181	291	281	185	1	257	189	39	39	948	890	0
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Received, Rev. E. C. Hibernian, 2150 North 21st Street, Phila. Elected pastor of Bethany Tabernacle. Lie. J. Frank Dechant.

4. LANCASTER CLASSIS, 1904. D. W. Gerhard, Stated Clerk.

Theodore Appel, D. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Author	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Isaac E. Gracoff, D. D.	Reading, Pa.	Retired	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John M. Titzel, D. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	First Church, Lanc.	1	450	415	200	6	5	16	17	8	13	11	3	34	221	491	08	63010	17
J. H. Dubbs, D. D., L. L. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in F. & M. Col.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Frederick A. Gast, D. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in Theol. Sem.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. Carl Whitmer	Lancaster, Pa.	Supl. of Missions	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John G. Noss	New Holland, Pa.	New Holland	8	345	245	190	10	6	15	9	10	5	7	3	35	120	622	83	1147	60
D. W. Gerhard, D. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Bales, at Heller's, Pa.	1	361	288	95	7	8	16	2	6	5	7	1	35	214	456	39	1530	76
Stephen Schweltzer	Ephrata, Pa.	Muddy Creek	4	741	584	25	33	9	78	1	6	23	5	4	53	361	47	43	104	68
Tilghman Derr	Lancaster, Pa.	Galen, Haverstown	1	153	125	60	1	6	16	1	1	2	1	1	15	85	154	49	750	00
Ellis N. Krummer, D. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Salem, Haverstown	1	118	33	178	18	2	7	8	6	1	10	2	47	294	751	03	3405	10
Milton H. Bangree	Harrisburg, Pa.	Fourth, Harrisburg	1	262	154	121	16	3	20	16	1	3	5	1	22	187	68	54	1670	64
J. S. Stahl, Ph. D., D. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	St. Stephen's, Lanc.	1	...	84	...	2	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
J. H. Pannabecker, D. D.	Columbia, Pa.	Columbia	2	443	253	...	17	2	9	6	8	2	2	2	23	353	340	00	2106	00
James G. Dengler	Maytown, Pa.	Without Charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wm. F. Lebliter	Lancaster, Pa.	St. Luke's, Lanc.	1	316	181	363	41	7	23	8	1	5	5	1	43	434	245	72	1216	07
Jalrus P. Moore, D. D.	Tokio, Japan	Missionary to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thomas S. Land	Millersville, Pa.	Zion's, Millersville	1	176	110	34	4	3	4	5	5	1	1	1	20	103	181	10	638	19
Newton J. Miller	Lancaster, Pa.	Disabled	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
D. B. Schneider, D. D.	Devon, Pa.	Missionary to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Jalrus A. Wickert	Devon, Pa.	Reamstown	4	129	35	212	9	6	24	7	5	4	7	2	4	542	382	60	1050	00
Theodore G. DeLyre	Berlin, Germany, 23 W.	Without Charge	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
J. W. Meminger, D. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	St. Paul's, Lancaster	1	361	540	380	18	18	25	27	9	5	14	9	62	588	900	00	25000	00
George F. Mull	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in F. & M. Col.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
E. C. Schiedt, Ph. D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in F. & M. Col.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
H. H. Deitzer, Ph. D.	Maytown, Pa.	Maytown	1	121	102	87	3	5	15	6	6	4	2	1	17	106	146	75	907	40

4. LANCASTER GLASSIS (Continued).

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members				Additions.				Losses.				Sunday-Schools.		Contributions		Minutes Wanted.			
			Communicants.	Commended.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Left or Renewal.	Dismissed.	Re-committed.	Former of Name.	Deaths, Confir.	Deaths, Unconf.	No. of Scholars.	(Males and Teachers).	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.		Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Benjamin M. Meyer	Elizabethtown, Pa.	Christ, Elizabethtown	217	186	67	7	7	16	8	2	2	0	0	1	24	123	9230	00	1311	00	8	
Harry Nelson Kessler	Harrisburg, Pa.	St Church, Harrisburg	809	205	147	15	8	8	40	1	1	1	4	1	26	251	220	00	2140	00	20	
William Jansen	Marietta, Pa.	Zion's, Marietta	186	103	65	15	2	33	2	2	2	16	4	16	1	18	162	75	00	2120	00	10
H. H. Spahn	Epbrata, Pa.	Bethany	210	170	83	10	7	9	2	2	2	0	4	4	2	12	10	75	00	1120	00	10
J. Rauch Stein	Harrisburg, Pa.	St. John's, Harrisburg	198	135	115	14	4	13	45	3	3	0	4	4	1	29	257	188	18	2700	67	14
Daniel G. Glass	Lancaster, Pa.	Faith, Lancaster	186	145	104	22	4	20	11	8	8	0	4	16	1	41	376	123	80	1218	43	14
J. Hunter Watts	Lancaster, Pa.	St. Andrew's, Lane	201	147	85	12	10	18	16	12	12	21	3	3	2	33	273	120	40	1842	07	18
A. O. Bartholomew	Manheim, Pa.	Manheim	203	238	82	2	34	47	10	6	6	2	3	3	2	52	253	212	40	2118	67	17
Edwin W. Lantz	Steelton, Pa.	1st Church, Steelton	91	74	33	1	1	7	2	2	2	0	0	0	1	28	114	71	00	630	23	10
Hermann S. Shelley	Willow Street, Pa.	Willow Street	186	114	33	3	2	8	2	2	2	0	2	6	2	21	212	238	24	901	18	15
Robert F. Reed	Harrisburg, Pa.	Zwingle, Harrisburg	73	52	44	1	1	1	2	2	2	2	3	3	1	16	82	92	00	795	53	7
Allen K. Faust	Sendal, Japan	Missionary to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
John P. Diefenderfer	Hummelstown, Pa.	Hummelstown	195	145	111	4	1	4	6	6	6	0	0	0	2	26	197	640	44	143	07	20
Committee of Supply	Quarryville, Pa.	St. Paul's, Quarryville	103	118	...	...	1	6	3	2	2	0	1	1	1	12	125	172	41	925	04	5
Henry K. Kreider	Penbrook, Pa.	Schoop's	183	166	71	4	4	11	8	4	4	0	3	3	3	62	243	109	00	1103	84	15
W. Stuart Cramer	Lancaster, Pa.	First Church, Asst's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
George W. Spotts	Fisherville, Pa.	Armstrong Valley	197	...	...	1	...	...	...	1	1	0	6	6	4	14	85	157	04	301	44	24
Geo. W. Antt	New Providence, Pa.	Zion's, N. Providence	143	107	50	...	1	2	...	5	5	8	8	8	1	16	108	126	07	205	91	8
Committee of Supply.	Kiesel Hill, Pa.	Kiesel Hill	20	22	16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Committee of Supply.	...	Shells	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
J. B. Ketter, Ph D., Lic.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in F. & M. Col.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Anselm V. Hester, Lic.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in F. & M. Col.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Thaddeus G. Helm, Lic.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in F. & M. Acad.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chas. W. B. Long, Lic.	Lancaster, Pa.	Railway Mail Agent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paul L. Gerhart, Lic.	Sendal, Japan	Missionary to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Ordained Ministers, 43	Charges, 80	Charges, 80	7483	6046	3165	291	161	450	273	183	...	82	152	71	47	913	6873	9	47321	8463844	13	208
Licentiate, 6	Churches, 62	Churches, 62	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

† For station, see First Church, Lancaster, Pa., as above.

A. EAST SUBQUEHANNA CLASSIS, 1904. J. Alvin Reber, Stated Clerk.

Union P. Brown	Philm. Pa.	Uniontown	4	449	301	375	29	1	10	1	4	11	4	38	286	3	3250 00	9900 00	75
Chas. B. Schneider	Shamokin, Pa.	Shamokin	1	1055	785	845	141	4	60	12	25	17	30	91	1765		1914 00	7001 00	25
Lewis D. Stockel	Lykens, Pa.	Without Charge																	
Isaac M. Schaeffer	Ashland, Pa.	Ashland	1	551	494	400	24	05	9	6	25	4	6	1	31	345	520 00	3157 00	16
Oliver F. Schaeffer	Hughes, Pa.	Deep Creek	6	400	300	179	40	53	2	6	6	4	6	0	34	814	310 00	191 00	20
Lutten M. Fetterolf	Lykens, Pa.	T. Cy. & Lykens	2	215	164	230	20	10	6	4	2	2	10	3	15	220	198 06	1893 25	12
Jonathan W. Duck	735 E. 14th St., N. Y.	Without Charge																	
Geo. S. Butz	Paoline, Pa.	Paoline-Aug.	6	373	330	187	16	1	6	6	9	6	5				145 01	1130 23	26
Clement D. Kresaley	Leck Kill, Pa.	Line Mountain	7	408	362	390	52	51	3	3		7	8	10	50	450	341 25	1800 00	30
Montgomery M. Fryer	Ariel, Wayne Co., Pa.	Without Charge																	
Albion Gousser	Mt. Carmel, Pa.	Mt. Carmel	1	211	212	148	25	1	21	37		39	4	1	22	251	92 00	3726 00	11
Robert O'Doyle	Sunbury, Pa.	Sunbury	1	384	334	280	19	4	51	6	6	4	7	1	28	380	519 73	2144 55	12
J. H. Jaenbergh, Ph. D.	Johnstown, Pa.	Without Charge																	
J. Alvin Reber	Mainville, Pa.	Mainville	3	147	115	42	10		4	7	10	3	7		0	34	55 00	436 30	15
Geo. W. Koyor	Ringtown, Pa.	Ringtown	4	416	320	255	27	13	17	5	10	10	3	4	43	391	210 00	1838 00	20
Irwin M. Bachman	Newlin, Pa.	Nunda	2	410	335	160	14	15	4	7	4	7	0	2	22	420	237 00	1490 00	25
A. Zimmerman, B. T. D.	Elizabethville, Pa.	Lykens Valley	4	490	312	294	21	18	4	11	4	3	6	3	56	500	371 00	1150 50	23
Geo. G. Gircouwald	Millersburg, Pa.	Millersburg	3	359	298	232	31	1	41	4	2	11	7	3	20	345	239 61	1610 00	18
Henry Hilbish	McAdoo, Pa.	McAdoo	2	117	67	55	13	11	7			8	2	2	16	98	31 00	453 00	20
A. Gousser (Supply)	Mt. Carmel, Pa.	Hope Congregation	1	20	23	17	2	10				6	1		10	45	5 40	75 00	
John Ujaky	Mt. Carmel, Pa.	Hungarian Mission	2	135	125	23	5	1	2	1		2						570 00	
Alfred M. Schaeffer	Catawissa, Pa.	Catawissa	1	125	97	99	4	3	4	8	4	2	2	1	15	120	255 27	1049 11	0
Vacant	Mahanoy, Pa.	Mahanoy	5	291	255	160	40	19	1	8		17	3	7	75	256	130 66	2723 62	26
G. W. Spotts	Licentiate	Licentiate																	
			56	6783	5351	4445	373	9	404	106	109		95	124	587	26850	4527564	10	265

* Licentiate G. W. Spotts was dismissed to Lancaster County, May 18, 1904.

6. WEST BUEQUEHANNA CLASSIS, 1904. William A. Egan, Stated Clerk.

D. M. Wolf, D. D.	Spring Mills, Pa.	Prin. S. M. Acad.																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																												
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6. WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS. (Continued.)

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS	Members			Additions.			Losses.			Sunday-Schools.		Students for Ministry.		Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.
			Communicants.	Communed.	Unordained.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cert. of Renewal.	Discharged.	Expatriated.	Deaths, Unord.	No. of Scholars.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Beneficent Purpose.	Congregational Purpose.	
Daniel Greas.....	Centre Hall, Pa.....	Centre Hall, Pa.....	315	287	144	10	1	15	32	18	23	5	4	24	211	6554 56	8910 88	24
F. E. Lanfer.....	Aaronsburg, Pa.....	Aaronsburg.....	230	271	236	18	...	32	16	24	17	7	5	60	378	673 00	3175 00	25
Elias S. Noll.....	New Berlin, Pa.....	New Berlin.....	444	350	156	31	...	22	16	14	...	10	5	57	379	311 50	2,91 00	33
Jesse M. Mengel.....	Mt Pleasant Mills, Pa.....	Liverpool.....	287	229	243	21	10	11	1	5	9	6	6	101	417	1 85	...	35
Samuel H. Stein.....	Lock Haven, Pa.....	Lock Haven.....	248	20	245	4	...	2	10	10	4	3	1	24	265	259 00	5435 43	15
E. E. Weaver.....	West Milton, Pa.....	White Deer.....	379	265	165	6	...	2	10	18	13	11	2	46	285	333 00	3011 00	11
Total.....	.....	.....	5781	5108	3084	271	38	905	221	196	108	125	48	781	5878	277857 72	48679 08	285

7. TOHIOKON CLASSIS, 1904. N. Z. Snyder, Stated Clerk.

Jacob Kehm.....	Sellersville, Pa.....	Tohiokon.....	513	470	251	24	7	40	7	5	14	5	2	48	315	5188 00	1234 00	27
N. Z. Snyder, D. D.....	South Bethlehem, Pa.....	Saltabury.....	101	92	80	3	...	...	1	4	...	1	1	28	170	35 00	315 00	8
Franklin J. Mohr.....	Quakertown, Pa.....	Quakertown.....	642	586	270	18	2	29	13	8	18	10	2	40	561	654 00	1441 00	30
A. B. Koplin, D. D.....	Hellertown, Pa.....	Lower Saucon.....	574	507	244	26	...	16	8	1	71	6	4	105	646	578 00	2272 00	28
B. B. Ferer, D. D.....	Riegelsville, Pa.....	Riegelsville.....	531	574	73	2	...	...	...	4	...	3	1	42	237	...	1,09 00	13
Jacob J. Rothrock.....	Lanadale, Pa.....	Lanadale.....	394	302	68	13	13	21	10	10	...	5	1	31	293	484 00	3522 00	10
Jacob G. Dubbs.....	Coopersburg, Pa.....	Friedensville.....	564	647	332	33	...	...	15	18	...	10	2	40	260	1396 00	2535 00	22
Alfred P. Horn.....	Hellertown, Pa.....	Springfield.....	228	370	200	38	1	1	9	6	...	14	3	24	165	191 00	925 00	21
H. F. Long, D. D.....	Frenchtown, N. J.....	Tinticum.....	265	246	140	2	...	4	4	1	...	7	2	30	220	70 00	700 00	14
Charles B. Weaver.....	Ferndale, Pa.....	Nockamixon.....	605	451	200	23	5	18	7	5	14	6	3	163	565	200 00	1100 00	14
R. F. Luckenbill.....	Souderton, Pa.....	Indian Creek.....	630	553	205	17	6	11	6	5	...	16	3	76	410	607 00	2516 00	24
William H. Mader.....	Eaton, Pa.....	South Easton.....	330	230	178	9	1	19	11	3	...	6	1	27	185	150 00	1410 00	12
James R. Bergey.....	Doylestown, Pa.....	Doylestown.....	306	285	184	10	12	17	10	9	...	5	1	25	310	298 00	2424 00	12
John A. Mertz.....	Durham, Pa.....	Durham.....	472	332	304	18	1	3	1	3	...	6	2	57	331	446 00	1375 00	20
John O. Lindaman.....	Perkasie, Pa.....	Hilltown.....	400	361	359	8	...	...	1	8	...	10	2	22	240	575 00	939 00	21
H. A. I. Benner.....	Richland Center, Pa.....	Trumbauersville.....	663	568	274	32	1	26	15	4	...	11	4	63	447	162 00	2026 00	24
Elmer B. Noll.....	Porkasie, Pa.....	Porkasie.....	534	291	210	9	6	12	30	2	...	8	1	40	420	300 00	123 1/2 00	8
Karl A. Stein.....	Sellersville, Pa.....	Sellersville.....	343	310	153	8	3	15	10	4	...	6	2	31	377	170 00	2054 00	6
Vacant.....	.....	South Bethlehem.....	506	304	235	15	...	11	12	7	...	4	2	47	401	136 00	1844 00	12
J. O. Lindaman, Supply.....	Porkasie, Pa.....	Hatfield.....	80	57	18	1	...	...	2	2	...	...	1	28	109	50 00	553 00	6

11. WYOMING C, A8818. (Continued.)

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAME & OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.			Additions.			Losses.				Sunday-schools.		Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.			
			Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cent. or Renewal.	Dismissed.	Recommenced.	Resigned.	Transferred.	Deaths, Unconfd.	Deaths, Confd.	Number.		Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Benevolent Purposes.	Constitutional Purposes.
E. Hubert	Danville, Pa.	Danville	842	261	131	22	2	9	1	1	4	1	1	25	231	4577	4119	35	4577	4119
H. Hoover	Dunboro, Pa.	Overton	225	14	109	8	1	11	5	4	9	1	8	27	220	115	440	8	115	440
K. Correll	Conyngham, Pa.	Conyngham	223	23	179	34	12	23	17	21	12	3	9	69	464	26	8	26	26	8
O. Stem	Turbotville, Pa.	Paradise	250	250	130	8	4	4	7	23	6	2	39	35	153	447	1213	10	447	1213
M. Beck	Watsonstown, Pa.	Watsonstown	230	270	65	8	1	9	4	10	1	1	4	25	86	317	1858	16	317	1858
H. Mutchler	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	St. Luke's, Wilkes-Barre	83	76	82	7	1	6	3	1	2	1	12	12	86	89	682	8	89	682
L. Hoch	Plymouth, Pa.	Plymouth	134	124	162	11	1	6	25	5	4	1	14	111	111	84	736	8	84	736
N. Adams	Berwick, Pa.	Berwick	135	118	142	20	1	13	29	5	1	2	19	173	113	113	114	13	113	114
Carl G. Petri	Fayette, N. Y.	Fayette, N. Y.	99	44	43	6	2	2	3	1	1	1	7	83	90	747	0	90	747	
W. H. Herbert	Nanticoke, Pa.	Nanticoke	106	60	86	3	5	5	1	1	1	1	15	75	104	800	0	104	800	
Vacant	West Hazleton, Pa.	St. Paul's, W. Haz et'n	107	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	785	0	100	785
J. C. E. Musselman	Overton, Pa.	Retired	107	36	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	100	785	0	100	785
Totals			4674	4249	3787	381	13840	314	61	113	113	138	47	638	6477	6739	34383	60350	6739	34383

112. READING CLASSIS, 1904. S. R. Bridenbaugh, Stated Clerk.

Bauman, D. D.	Reading	St. Paul's	679	243	11	5	25	7	40	4	1	54	622	\$61.00	\$4.75	00	14		
B. W. Steinmetz, D. D.	130A W. Doug. St., Reading	St. John's	1	450	16	23	4	13	20	11	0	54	434	340 00	2.00	00	16		
Henry Y. Stoner	Reading, Pa.	P. I. S. Com. College																	
H. K. Blackley		Ag't. Ref. Ch. Record																	
Jas. I. Good, D. D.	Reading	Calvary	4.0	133	34	1	25	39	4			68	575	3	515 00	6.17	00	14	
M. Bridenbaugh, D. D.	225 S. 6th St., Reading	Second Reformed	760	401	17	1	30	31	11	21	16	1	50	408	4.00 00	7.00	00	16	
Geo. Phil. Stein, D. D.	331 N. 11th St., Reading	St. Thomas'	281	274	34	2	23	12	8	8	7	6	43	362	140 00	20.00	00	5	
Henry K. Miller		Missionary to Japan																	
Geo. W. Gerhard	Hamburg	First Reformed	1	354	26	30	5	5			7	3	34	300	302 00	5.23	00	12	
D. P. Lefevre	Reading	Retired																	
A. W. Miller, D. D.	Phila.	Gen. Sec. S. S. Board																	
James R. Brown	Estuary	Schwarzwald	643	250	27	37	2	12	4	9	4	0	58	380	1	550 00	15.16	00	14
L. L. Herbel	1890 Park Ave., Reading	Spies	1	408	36	38	9	6	1	20	7	3	30	440	1	41 00	10.80	00	5
M. L. Herbel	1830 Park Ave., Reading	Trinity	1	80	7	5	5					17	55	13 00	5.00	00	14	14	
D. E. Schaeffer	Leesport	Leesport	4	524	25	21	4	8		13	6	4	30	344	233 14	14.17	00	14	

12. READING CLASSIS. (Concluded.)

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.				Additions.				Losses.				Sunday-schools.			Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.		
			Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cert. of Renewal of Profession.	Dismissed.	Recommenced.	Renewal of Name.	Deaths, Com'g.	Deaths, Unconf'd.	Number.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.		Benevolent Purpose.	Congregational Purpose.
C. E. Schaeffer ..	201 W. Oley St., Reading..	St. Mark's	1	873	707	640	63	8	43	52	13	..	4	6	12	1	104	1080	1	9821 00	86104 00	14
C. E. Creits ..	.....	Asst. St. Paul's ..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Paul I. Deppen ..	.....	St. Andrew's	1	742	640	439	31	1	22	45	16	..	21	8	2	1	81	771	..	1023 00	8238 00	10
H. H. Ranck ..	1431 Perk. Av., Reading..	Faith and St. James' ..	2	802	502	151	18	1	22	23	4	..	23	3	..	2	81	806	..	339 00	1923 00	14
Wm. E. Harr ..	152 Walnut St., Reading..	St. Stephen's	1	914	544	520	51	3	52	54	7	..	9	10	3	1	64	911	..	618 00	6112 00	12
T. W. Dickert ..	765 N. 11th St., Reading..	Asst. Calvary .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. B. Reagle ..	.....	First Reformed	1	1073	890	939	31	3	47	94	23	..	10	16	4	1	86	1147	1	3267 00	4473 00	15
J. F. Moyer ..	611 Wash. St., Reading ..	Olivet	1	70	55	23	23	..	3	1	6	..	16	1	1	1	22	152	..	183 00	1246 00	9
Thos. H. Leinbach ..	Reading, Pa.	Alsace	2	620	700	400	65	1	52	16	3	..	..	23	13	2	14	249	1	..	1340 00	12
H. J. Leinbach ..	Reading ..	Licentiate .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Rev. Thos. M. Yundt..	Reading, Pa.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lic. Paul Bridenbaugh	Reading .....	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Ministers	27	..	28	927	6038	4798	306	26	311	848	148	..	177	170	80	29	885	8703	8	15784 00	61379 00	900
Licentiate	1	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..

• Pastor-elect of St. John's, Reading, Pa.

Statistical Summary for Eastern Synod for the Year A. D., 1904.

NAMES OF CLASSES.

NAMES OF CLASSES.	No. of Classes.	No. of Ministers.	Congregations.	Members.			Additions.				Losses.					Sunday-Schools.			Contributions.		Minutes Wasted.	
				Communicating.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Cert. or Renewal of Profession.	Disinherited.	Excommunicated.	Erasure of Names.	Deaths, Com'd.	Deaths, Uncom'd.	Number.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Purpose.		Congregational Purpose.
East Pennsylvania.....	1	38	60	12102	6883	5883	671	17	480	417	181	..	199	219	103	74	1946	10180	8	96408 00	962402 00	350
Lebanon	1	26	20	10596	6148	5317	409	64	481	151	243	..	254	287	73	53	887	7518	4	7396 00	69689 00	385
Philadelphia.....	1	43	38	8812	7137	2117	222	134	281	261	183	..	337	194	88	39	658	8930	5	25715 00	87403 00	443
Lancaster	1	43	52	7483	6066	8163	221	161	450	373	135	..	82	124	71	47	945	6878	9	7622 00	63314 00	385
East Susquehanna	1	21	56	6783	5351	4445	573	9	404	166	109	..	80	124	94	53	637	5830	2	6861 00	81544 00	305
West Susquehanna	1	32	62	5781	6108	3084	271	39	205	221	198	..	104	125	48	60	781	6378	3	7056 00	46678 00	388
Wetikon	1	16	40	6872	7176	4587	209	55	253	165	103	..	166	146	65	50	691	6829	8	9124 00	43416 00	416
Toblenhoppen	1	14	28	7313	5963	4159	318	23	223	112	103	..	16	144	81	31	621	4444	4	8359 00	26386 00	177
Lebanon	1	18	64	17180	13701	8561	674	28	868	205	274	2	296	288	198	67	1482	13237	14	18468 00	81282 00	494
Lebanon	1	16	34	6687	4841	3683	484	21	341	201	120	..	87	129	80	30	673	5196	1	5888 00	84356 00	397
Lebanon	1	26	46	2074	4093	3787	381	31	340	314	141	..	213	113	58	47	608	6477	1	6790 00	84588 00	390
Wyoming.....	1	24	23	9727	8089	4798	808	56	511	345	143	..	177	170	80	93	905	8763	8	18784 00	61379 00	369
Reading.....	12	323	663	106810	88068	54607	5467	594	4812	3522	1986	Y	1904	1957	909	330	33575	88887	65	812870 00	988459 00	3639

Total Statistical Summary for Eight Synods for the Year A. D., 1904.

SYNODS.		STATED CLERKS.																				
Eastern Synod.....	Jno. Ph. Stein, Reading, Pa.....	12	329	533	106610	88068	54607	5497	504	4812	3522	1986	2	1904	1967	909	330	33575	88887	65	812870 00	988459 00
Ontio Synod	Sam'l Z. Ream, Carrollton, O.....	6	148	232	28736	21801	5679	704	520	1190	1017	652	7	946	380	29	315	3292	93218	29	57900 00	148127 00
Synod of N. West.....	J. J. Janett, Sheboygan, Wis.....	19	177	234	24001	18927	16008	1649	94	1194	783	323	7	457	327	177	212	1647	12738	39	22335 00	140923 00
Shelburg Synod.....	J. Harvey Mickle, Johnston, Pa.....	6	96	162	29188	19223	10765	1128	176	894	878	585	..	586	348	122	139	1794	12987	6	88889 00	193334 00
Potomac Synod	E. R. Deatrick, Woodberry, Md.....	9	176	313	41520	32943	20717	1780	289	1760	1661	763	3	441	622	250	276	4245	30143	52	97706 00	263367 00
East Synod of East.....	A. E. Dahman, Buffalo, N. Y.....	4	67	68	18833	12751	10332	1739	31	984	1266	75	..	601	158	103	68	1117	11561	4	10533 00	170326 00
Central Synod	Jno. Hachman, New Knoxville, O.....	5	107	123	23727	17337	12468	1240	104	1129	610	223	10	982	262	192	116	1807	13574	14	22394 00	111885 00
Synod of Interior.....	D. B. Shuey, Emporia, Kans.....	5	54	62	3579	2374	1183	126	137	217	158	117	..	163	87	14	67	702	4307	4	6806 00	33614 00
.....	97	1164	1731	264017	207285	140926	12863	1966	13167	9006	4511	39	5670	4196	3037	1046	35077	19721	193	391303 00	1649488 00

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**Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church
in the United States**

AT ITS ANNUAL SESSIONS HELD IN WILLIAMSPORT, PA., IN
THE MONTH OF OCTOBER IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIVE.

The sessions began on the 25th and continued until October 30th, adjourning at 4 o'clock.

**ARTICLE I.
OPENING OF SYNOD.**

The Eastern Synod convened in St. John's Reformed Church, Williamsport, Pa., on Wednesday, October 25th, A. D. 1905, at 7.30 P. M.

The session was opened with religious service conducted by Rev. Dr. S. R. Bridenbaugh and Rev. M. L. Firor.

The opening sermon was preached by the President, Rev. V. W. Dippell, Dr., from the texts as recorded in Joshua 1:7, "Only be thou strong and very courageous," and Luke 9:39, "No man having his hand to the plough and looking back is fit for the kingdom of God."

At the close of the sermon the Holy Communion was celebrated, the delegate members and visiting brethren participating.

After the communion service the provisional roll was called by the Stated Clerk, the delegates responding to their names, and it was found that a quorum was present. Rev. Jas. E. C. Armstrong, D.D., President of the Ministerial Association of Williamsport, extended to the Synod the fraternal greetings of their goodly city, to which the President of Synod responded.

Nominations were made for President for the current Synodical year, and the election was held which resulted in the choice of Dr. Jas. Crawford for its presiding officer.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers—W. H. Wotring, H. A. Frantz, P. E. Heimer, C. A. Butz, W. H. Erb, H. J. Ehret.

Elders—H. S. Rinker, Wm. H. Mitman, Harrison J. Boyer.

2. Lebanon Classis.

Ministers—Dr. Edw. S. Bromer, E. S. Leinbach, I. Calvin Fisher, Wm. J. Keeshner.

Elders—Wm. D. Fox, Jacob A. Loose, Samuel Kiopp, Edw. D. Miller.

3. Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers—James Crawford, D.D., H. E. Jones, C. B. Als-pach, C. D. Yost, E. E. Hibschan, A. S. Dechant, E. F. Wiest, Geo. H. Miller.

Elders—J. S. Sechler, H. M. Housekeeper, A. B. Scheffey, Philip Williard, J. H. Francis, F. C. Hoover, A. G. Grater, H. H. Styer.

4. Lancaster Classis.

Ministers—H. N. Bassler, A. O. Bartholomew, J. Rauch Stein, Tilghman Derr, Daniel G. Glass, Benj. M. Meyer, Samuel H. Dietzell, Ph.D., Jno. P. Dieffenderfer.

Elders—J. P. Raub, Edw. B. Smith, Henry L. Gise, C. Nevin Heller, Jno. H. Kurzenknabe, Jno. W. Dibeler.

5. East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—Simon P. Brown, I. M. Schaeffer, Chas. B. Schneder.

Elders—Geo. A. Nevin, Jos. I. Corbett, Wm. H. Hawk.

6. West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—Frank Wetzal, E. T. Rhodes, J. M. Runkle, Samuel H. Stein.

Elders—A. A. Heller, J. H. Neidigh, D. K. Miller, Enoch Miller.

7. *Goshenhoppen Classis.*

Ministers—Chas. S. Wieand, Samuel K. Laudenslager, Calvin M. DeLong.

Elders—R. J. Gery, Wm. M. Focht, Geo. W. Hartranft.

8. *Tohickon Classis.*

Ministers—F. J. Mohr, C. B. Weaver, Elmer S. Noll, A. B. Koplin, D.D.

Elders—Samuel F. Stover, Morris D. Zendt, Edw. W. Gerhart, M. J. Hess.

9. *Lehigh Classis.*

Ministers—Geo. W. Richards, D.D., Fred. C. Seitz, Theo. F. Herman, Geo. P. Stem, H. M. J. Klein, Scott R. Wagner, Simon Sipple.

Elders—Nathan M. Balliet, Israel J. Ritter, Alfred R. Smith, Lee Erdman, John S. Yeager, Reuben H. Kramm, Chas. Hackman.

10. *Schuylkill Classis.*

Ministers—Thos. J. Bowers, A. Lobach, W. T. Buchanan.

Elders—J. W. Tyson, F. A. Brown.

11. *Wyoming Classis.*

Ministers—J. W. Reinecke, William Toennes, S. E. Stoflet, E. M. Beck, M. L. Firor.

Elders—J. Sweisfort, S. F. Wenner, W. J. Balliet.

12. *Reading Classis.*

Ministers—H. H. Ranck, Jno. F. Moyer, Thos. M. Yundt, S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.

Elders—Edw. F. Wink, Jno. P. Luft, Peter L. Diener, Dr. J. K. Seaman.

Rev. V. W. Dippell, Ph.D., delegate secundus of Lebanon Classis, occupied the seat of the primarius, Rev. Wm. J. Kershner, on the second day of the sessions.

For the day and session when some of the delegates absented themselves from Synod, see Miscellaneous, Art. XXII, under the head of Excuses.

Advisory Members.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Revs. Dr. John F. DeLong, Wilson F. More.

Lebanon Classis—Revs. V. W. Dippell, Ph.D., W. F. DeLong, D. Earnest Klopp, D.D.

Philadelphia Classis—Revs. A. S. Bromer, Cyrus J. Musser, D.D.

Lancaster Classis—Revs. Thos. S. Land, D.D., J. W. Meminger, D.D., A. Carl Whitmer.

West Susquehanna Classis—Revs. H. I. Crow, W. E. Hoy, D.D., Joseph M. Bean, W. W. Clouser, E. E. Weaver.

Tohickon Classis—Licentiate Edw. M. Hartman.

Lehigh Classis—Revs. Thos. N. Reber, A. R. Bartholomew, D.D.

Wyoming Classis—Rev. H. B. Reagle, Elders D. Klinger, Tobias George, C. D. Lerch.

Reading Classis—Revs. Rufus W. Miller, D.D., Thos. W. Dickert, Jno. Ph. Stein.

Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod—Revs. Dr. John C. Bowman, D. A. Souders.

From other Denominations.

Presbyterian Church—Rev. E. C. Armstrong, D.D.

Methodist Church—Revs. H. E. Crow, W. A. Houch, J. M. Johnson, J. F. Mortimer, C. W. Wasson and W. A. Lepley—

Lutheran Church—Rev. L. L. Lohr.

Evangelical Church—Rev. Alfred S. Kresge.

U. B. Church—Rev. George Cavanaugh.

United Evangelical Church—Rev. J. Y. Dunlap, Ph.D.

Baptist Church—Rev. M. Quay Roselle, Ph.D.

Jewish Church—Rabbi H. J. Elkins.

U. Evangelical Baptist Church—Revs. C. W. Waser, J. T. Neibuler.

Congregational Church—Rev. D. E. Burtner.

ARTICLE III.**ELECTION OF OFFICERS.**

President—Rev. James Crawford, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa.

Vice-President—Rev. Chas. S. Wieand, Pottstown, Pa.

Corresponding Secretary—Rev. James Rauch Stein, Harrisburg, Pa.

Reading Clerk—Rev. Harry E. Jones, Philadelphia, Pa.

Stated Clerk, 25th year of service—Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D., Reading, Pa.

Treasurer—Elder Wellington M. Leinbach, Reading, Pa.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by General Synod at Akron in 1887, though not read, were observed by Synod in the transaction of its official proceedings.

The Bar of the House was defined to be the church, excepting the two rows of pews in the rear of the audience chamber.

The business sessions were opened at 9 a. m. and closed at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11.30 a. m. to 2 p. m.

ARTICLE V.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees, to wit:

1. *Religious Services*—Revs. J. M. Runkle, H. A. Frantz, George H. Miller, Elders H. Mittman, Jacob A. Loose.

2. *Minutes of Eastern Synod*—Revs. W. H. Wotring, T. M. Yundt, E. S. Leinbach, Elders Wm. D. Fox, E. Wink.

3. *Overtures*—Revs. E. S. Bromer, D.D., C. B. Alspach, T. Derr, Elders Philip Williard, W. J. Balliet.

4. *Minutes of Classes*—Revs. A. B. Koplin, D.D., J. R. Stein, I. M. Schaeffer, Elders C. Nevin Heller, F. A. Brown.

5. *Examination and Licensure*—Revs. H. N. Bassler, S. P. Brown, S. H. Stein, Elders J. J. Corbett, R. H. Kramm.

6. *State of Religion*—Revs. S. E. Stofflet, E. T. Rhodes, C. M. DeLong, Elders R. J. Gery, Morris D. Zendt.

7. *Franklin and Marshall College and Theological Seminary*—Revs. C. B. Schneder, D. K. Laudenslager, E. S. Noll, Elders A. A. Heller, W. M. Focht.

8. *Missions*—Revs. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., F. J. Mohr, F. C. Seitz, Elders S. F. Storrer, D. K. Miller.

9. *Finance*—Revs. Frank Wetzel, I. C. Fisher, T. J. Bower, Elders I. W. Tyson, J. H. Kurzenknabe.

10. *Nominations*—Revs. H. M. J. Klein, A. S. Dechant, M. L. Firor, Elders Charles Hackman, J. H. Francis.

11. *Publications*—Revs. C. L. Wieand, Scott R. Wagner, Geo. P. Stem, Elders N. M. Balliet, Samuel Klopp.

12. *Orphans Home and Other Benevolent Institutions*—Revs. A. Lobach, J. W. Reinecke, W. J. Kerschner, Elders H. M. Housekeeper, H. S. Rinker.

13. *Sunday-schools*—Revs. E. F. Wiest, H. H. Ranck, S. H. Dietzel, Elders J. Sweisfort, G. J. P. Raub.

14. *General Synod*—Revs. Geo. W. Richards, D.D., J. F. Moyer, D. G. Glass, Elders J. K. Seaman, M.D., A. B. Sheffey.

ARTICLE VI.

COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The minutes of the following Classes: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination, with the exception of the reports on the State of the Church and the statistical tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Report of the Treasurer were read. The election to fill the vacancy occurring in the Board of Trustees of Synod was made the order of the day on Friday at 2 p. m. Several items in Report of Trustees of Synod and the Treasurer's Report were referred to Committee on Finance.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, communication from General Synod's Board, from the Bi-Synodic Board, and a communication from Potomac Synod, together with the report of General Synod's Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, were received, and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

4. The Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Education of the Theological Seminary; also the Report of Franklin and Marshall College were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on College and Seminary, with the exception of the nominations suggested to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

5. The Annual Report of the Board of Publication of Reformed Church was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Report of General Synod's Sunday-school Board was received and referred to Committee on Sunday-schools.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were severally opened and closed with religious services. The report of the Standing Committee on Religious Services was read at intervals and finally adopted as a whole. The report reads as follows, to wit:

The Standing Committee on Religious Services reported from time to time the following appointments made, and the report was finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

Wednesday evening, October 25, 7.30 o'clock.—Opening sermon by the President, Rev. Victor W. Dippell, Ph.D., Lebanon, Pa.; theme, "The Note of the Heroic in the Ministry." Liturgical service, conducted by Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Reading, Pa., and Rev. M. L. Firor, Scranton, Pa. Celebration of the Holy Communion. Address by Rev. E. C. Armstrong, D.D., President of the Williamsport Ministerial Association. Response by the President.

Thursday evening, October 26, 7.30 o'clock.—Rev. H. M. J. Klein, Allentown, Pa., presiding. Altar service, conducted by Revs. T. Derr, Lancaster, Pa., and I. Calvin Fisher, Lebanon, Pa. "The Reformed Church." Address by Rev. Geo. W.

Richards, D.D., Lancaster, Pa., "The Present Status and Mission of the Reformed Church."

Friday evening, October 27, 7.30 o'clock.—Rev. A. C. Whitmer, D.D., Lancaster, Pa., presiding. Altar service, conducted by Revs. E. M. Beck, Watsonstown, Pa., and E. S. Noll, Perkaspie, Pa. "Home Missions." Address by Rev. David A. Souders, Irwin, Pa., "Our Home Mission Work In and Around Pittsburg." Address by Rev. Thomas M. Yundt, Philadelphia, Pa., "Essentials for Successful Mission Work."

Saturday evening, October 28, 7.30 o'clock.—Rev. H. E. Jones, Philadelphia, presiding. Altar service, conducted by Revs. H. H. Ranck, Reading, Pa., and W. H. Wotring, Nazareth, Pa. "The Sunday-school." Address by Rev. E. S. Bromer, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa., "Some of the Ideals That Should Inspire Us in Sunday-school Work." Address by Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa., "The Sunday-school as a Missionary and Evangelistic Institution."

Sunday morning, October 29, 9.45 o'clock.—Bible School, the superintendent, William Sassaman, presiding. Liturgical service, conducted by Rev. Isaac M. Schaeffer, Ashland, Pa. Lesson, taught by Rev. J. P. Dieffenbacher, Hummelstown, Pa.

Sunday morning, 11 o'clock.—Morning worship. Liturgical service, conducted by Revs. S. H. Deitzel, Ph.D., Maytown, Pa., and Frederick C. Seitz, Allentown, Pa. Sermon, by Rev. James Crawford, D.D., pastor of Christ Reformed church, Philadelphia, Pa.

Sunday afternoon, 3 o'clock.—Young People's Rally. Rev. C. M. DeLong, East Greenville, Pa., presiding. Address by Rev. John F. Moyer, Reading, Pa., "The Importance of Young People's Societies." Address by Rev. Chas. B. Als-pach, Philadelphia, Pa., "The Position Which the Church Should Maintain Toward Young People's Societies."

Sunday evening, 7.30 o'clock.—Elder Nathan M. Balliet, Esq., presiding. Liturgical service, conducted by Revs. S. E. Stofflet, Hazleton, Pa., and B. F. Meyer, Elizabethtown, Pa. "Foreign Missions." Address by Rev. Allen R. Bartholomew, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa., "Our Mission Work in Japan." Ad-

dress by Rev. William E. Hoy, D.D., Yochow, Hunan, China,
"Our Mission Work in China."

Appointments for Sunday Services.

In churches of other denominations:

Pine Street M. E.—Morning, Rev. J. Y. Moyer, Reading;
evening, Rev. H. H. Ranck, Reading.

High Street M. E.—Morning, Rev. Samuel Stein, Lock
Haven; evening, Rev. E. S. Noll, Perkasio.

Mulberry M. E.—Morning, Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Harris-
burg; evening, Rev. M. L. Firor, Scranton.

Grace M. E.—Morning, Rev. I. Calvin Fisher, Lebanon;
evening, Rev. A. S. Dechant, Oak Lane.

Third Street M. E.—Morning, Rev. S. E. Stofflet, Hazle-
ton; evening, Rev. H. E. Jones, Philadelphia.

South Side M. E.—Morning, Rev. H. J. Ehret, Bethlehem;
evening, Rev. J. P. Dieffenderfer, Hummelstown, Pa.

Third Presbyterian.—Morning, Rev. Rufus W. Miller,
D.D., Philadelphia; evening, Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.,
Reading.

Presbyterian of the Covenant.—Morning, Rev. H. M. J.
Klein, Allentown; evening, Rev. E. S. Bromer, D.D., Phila-
delphia.

Bethany Presbyterian.—Morning, Rev. E. T. Rhodes, Lew-
istown; evening, Rev. T. Derr, Lancaster.

St. John's Lutheran.—Morning, Rev. C. D. Yost, Chalfont;
evening, Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, Manheim.

First Baptist.—Morning, Rev. G. W. Richards, D.D., Lan-
caster; evening, Rev. Theo. F. Herman, Allentown.

First German Baptist.—Morning, Rev. W. H. Wotring,
Nazareth; evening, Rev. S. H. Deitzel, Ph.D., Maytown.

First United Evangelical.—Morning, Rev. Allen R. Barthol-
omew, D.D., Philadelphia; evening, Rev. F. C. Séitz, Allen-
town.

First Evangelical Association.—Morning, Rev. George P.
Stems, Siegfried; evening, Rev. C. M. DeLong, East Green-
ville.

First Congregational.—Morning, Rev. A. C. Whitmer,
D.D., Lancaster; evening, Rev. Scott R. Wagner, Allentown.

United Brethren.—Morning, Rev. F. Wetzel, Rebersburg; evening, Rev. A. Lobach, Tamaqua, Pa.

Y. M. C. A.—Rev. H. E. Jones, Philadelphia.

Mt. Carmel.—Rev. H. A. Frantz, Cherryville.

West Milton.—Rev. D. G. Glass, Lancaster.

Reformed Church of Montgomery.—Rev. A. B. Koplin, D.D., Hellertown.

Lutheran Church of Montgomery.—Rev. E. T. Rhodes, Lewistown.

Market Street M. E.—Morning, Rev. Simon Sipple, Muncie; evening, Rev. Isaac M. Schaeffer, Ashland.

Messiah Lutheran.—Evening, Rev. J. Rauch Stein, Harrisburg.

Respectfully submitted,

JAS. M. RUNKLE,

H. A. FRANTZ,

W. H. WITMAN,

GEO. H. MILLER,

JACOB H. LOOSE.

ARTICLE VIII.

I. MINUTES OF EASTERN SYNOD.

The printed copy of the Minutes of Eastern Synod was duly received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod to note such items as required attention. The report was presented on Thursday, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Minutes of Eastern Synod, the sessions of which were held October, 1904, at Perkasio, Pa., find the following items in its "Acts of Proceedings" requiring Synod's attention:

Item 1, p. 84. The Stated Clerk was instructed to transmit the thanks of Synod to the family of the late Mr. B. Wolff, Jr., for valuable paintings, and to Messrs. Raub, Kepler and Davis, for specimens donated to the Science Building, at Lancaster, Pa.

Item 2, p. 82. Synod appointed the first Sunday in November to be observed as Seminary Day.

Item 3, p. 114. The term of Dr. A. B. Dundore as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod, expires January 1, 1906.

Item 4, p. 126. The Stated Clerk was instructed to send an official copy of Synod's action in regard to Allentown College for Women to the Classis of Lehigh, the Classis of East Pennsylvania, and to the Board of Trustees of the aforesaid institution.

Item 5, p. 126. The President of Synod appointed Rev. Wm. F. DeLong chairman of committee to raise funds for the Allentown College for Women.

Item 6, p. 126. The President of Synod appointed Revs. Drs. J. F. DeLong, S. R. Wagner and E. S. Noll a committee of Synod on conference with Trustees of Allentown College for Women.

Item 7, p. 127. Synod requested the Classes in arrears on the Washington Memorial Church Fund to pay 5 per cent. interest annually on such arrearages.

Item 8, p. 127. The Stated Clerk was ordered to have printed 4,100 copies of Minutes of Synod and distribute the same to those entitled to receive them.

Item 9, p. 153. The Stated Clerk was instructed to correspond with the other Synods in regard to the disposal of the published volume, entitled, "Minutes of Coetus."

Item 10, page 154. A committee of twelve, one from each Classis, was appointed to make a canvass each in his respective Classis to dispose of the surplus volumes of "Minutes of Coetus."

Item 11, p. 154. The attention of Trustees of Synod was to be directed to the appointment of the aforesaid committee, with the request to furnish any literature that may be needed by the committee to dispose of the "Minutes of Coetus" for the reimbursement of the Treasury.

Item 12, p. 159. Synod holds its annual sessions October 25, 1905, in St. John's Reformed Church, Williamsport, Pa.

Item 13, p. 30. Synod at a special meeting appointed a committee to install Rev. C. Noss, Professor-elect to the Chair of Systematic Theology.

Item 14, p. 82. Instructions to the committee on current expenses and increased endowment of the Theological Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

W. H. WOTRING,

THOS. M. YUNDT,

E. S. LEINBACH,

WM. D. FOX,

EDW. F. WINK.

For the action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report, reference is herewith made as follows, to wit:

In regard to the items 1, 4, 9, 11, 12 reports were received informing Synod that the matters referred to were attended to. For action on items 2, 13 and 14 see Art. XIII, College and Seminary; on items 3, 5, 6 and 7 see Art. XV on Finance; on item 8 see Art. XIX, Publication; and on item 10 see Art. XXII, Miscellaneous.

II. MINUTES OF THE GENERAL SYNOD.

The report on the Minutes of General Synod was presented to Synod on Thursday during the afternoon session. It was considered item by item, and finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Acts and Proceedings of the General Synod, convened at Allentown, Pa., May 16th, A. D. 1905, begs leave to bring the following items to your attention:

Item 1, p. 86. (a) General Synod commends the Women's Missionary Societies in the Synods and Classes of the Church. (b) The support of the whole Church is asked for the Home Missionary work of the German Synods of the Church. (c) The work of Harbor Missions is commended to the support of the Church. (d) p. 87. The Hungarian and Bohemian Missionary work is commended to the entire Church.

Item 2, p. 169. The Society for Relief of Ministers and Their Widows is commended to the support of the Church.

Item 3, p. 174. The work of the Board of the Ministerial Relief Society is recommended to the district Synods for

Item 4, p. 176. A request to Synods to appoint Standing Committees on Young People's Societies.

Item 5, p. 203. Synods are requested to call the attention of pastors and members to the great importance of constant efforts to increase the membership of the Sunday-schools.

Item 6, p. 203. Synods are requested to urge upon the Young People's organizations of the Church the importance of using the Denominational Reading Course and of organizing Mission Study Classes.

Item 7, p. 255. Apportionment on the Eastern Synod:

Contingent Fund	\$1,428 00
Home Missions	40,700 00
Foreign Missions	28,900 00
Hungarian, Harbor and Bohemian Missions..	4,300 00
Church-Building	8,025 00

Item 8, p. 275. General Synod will hold its next annual meeting the third Tuesday in May, 1908, at 8 p. m., in First Reformed Church, Akron, Ohio.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. W. RICHARDS,

JNO. F. MOYER,
D. G. GLASS,

JNO. K. SEAMAN,
A. B. SCHEFFEY.

For the action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report, reference is made as follows:

On item 1 see Art. XIV on Missions; items 2 and 3 were referred to a special committee, see Art. XX on Benevolent Institutions; item 4 was adopted and referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. E. F. Weist, C. A. Butz, and Elder Bachman; on item 5 see Art. XVIII on Sunday-schools; the 6th item was adopted and referred to the attention of the several Classis; on item 7 see Art. XV on Finance; item 8 was adopted.

ARTICLE IX. OVERTURES.

The report on Overtures was presented on Thursday during the afternoon session, and disposed of at intervals, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The following papers and communications came into the hands of your Committee on Overtures, claiming your honored attention:

1. The Report of the Society of Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

2. Communication from the new Board of Ministerial Relief, recently erected by the General Synod at Allentown, Pa.

3. Letter from Mr. B. Luther Shimer, offering for sale a property in Hanover Township, Lehigh County, for the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home.

4. Communication from the Pittsburgh Synod, concerning the Schwander Professorship.

5. Communication from the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College, concerning nominees for Trustees for said Board.

6. Communication from Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D.D., in behalf of the Sunday-school Board.

7. Communication from Rev. Christopher Noss, concerning the change of the date of Seminary Day from the first Sunday in November to the first Sunday in September.

8. Invitations to Eastern Synod, offering places at which to hold its next annual meeting:

(a) From the Second Reformed Church, of Harrisburg, Pa.

(b) From Zion's Reformed Church, Lehighton, Pa.

9. Report of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home.

10. Communication from the Pittsburgh Synod, in reply to a former overture from Eastern Synod, concerning "An Improved Method of Aiding Worthy Young Men."

11. Presentation of a copy of the "Life of Rev. Calvin S. Gerhard, D.D.," for the archives of Synod, with the compliments of the editor, Rev. Thomas W. Dickert.

12. Recommendations relating to the division of Eastern Synod.

13. Report of Bethany Orphans Home.

14. Communication from St. John's Mission, of Harrisburg, Pa., signed by Rev. J. Rauch Stein, pastor, and Elder J. H. Kurzenknabe.

15. A communication from General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief, requesting the Eastern Synod to appoint a minister in each Classis to bring its work before the Classes. Rev. J. W. Meminger, D.D., representative.

Respectfully submitted.

EDW. S. BROMER,

C. B. ALSPACH,

TILGHMAN DERR,

P. WILLIARD,

W. J. BALLIET.

For Synod's action on the several items contained in the foregoing report reference is made as follows, to wit:

The items 1 and 2 were referred to a special committee consisting of Revs. M. L. Firor, W. H. Erb and Jno. P. Luft. See Art. XX on Benevolent Institutions. On item 3 the following action was taken, that Mr. B. Luther Shimer be informed that Synod has no intention of buying a property for the Phoebe Deaconess Home, at Allentown, and that the photographs be returned. The 4 and 7 items were adopted and subject matter referred to Com. on College and Seminary. See Art. XIII. Fifth was referred to Com. on Nominations. On 6 item, see Art. XVIII on Sunday-schools. On 8th item, see Art. XXII, Miscellaneous. On item 9, see Art. XX, on Benevolent Institutions. Item 10, adopted. Item 11, the book entitled, Life of Dr. C. S. Gerhard, presented by Rev. T. W. Dickert, was received with thanks and ordered to be placed in the archives. Item 12, see Art. XXI, Church Government. On item 13 and 15, see Art. XX, on Benevolent Institutions. On item 14, see Art. XIV, Missions.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSES.

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes presented its report on the 5th day of the sessions. The report was duly considered, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes begs leave to report that the Minutes of the several Classes were placed into our hands and from the records of these classical proceedings the following items are gathered, and are herein presented for your further consideration, namely:

I. Irregularities.

East Pennsylvania Classis. One member of installation committee conducts installation in the absence of other members (p. 145). Fails to record names of members present at two special meetings (p. 165 and 166).

Lebanon Classis fails to approve the minutes of the second day's session of annual meeting at the opening of its third day's session (p. 27).

Philadelphia Classis by resolution dispenses with the reading of parochial reports (p. 19). Fails to attach seal to statistical report (p. 45).

West Susquehanna Classis furnishes no schedule of subjects. Fails to attach seal to minutes of two meetings (p. 5 and p. 12). Fails to certify minutes of one special meeting (p. 5). Does not report closing of special meeting with prayer and benediction (p. 5).

Goshenhoppen Classis fails to report any altar services in connection with opening sermon (p. 7).

Lehigh Classis fails to attach seal to statistical table (opp. p. 36), and to minutes of annual meeting (p. 62).

Schuylkill Classis fails again to furnish schedule of subjects. Fails to number the pages of its last special meeting. Fails to name committee appointed to ordain and install Licentiate Samuel E. Moyer (p. 125).

Wyoming Classis accepts written answer of elder to the constitutional questions (p. 13).

II. Requests.

1. Lebanon Classis requests the following action to be placed on record as its reply to Eastern Synod to the recorded action on its Minutes of 1904, pp. 43 to 50:

We, the undersigned committee, who were also the delegates to the Synod at Wilkes-Barre, Pa., would report that in each instance we have a distinct recollection that said Synod passed an action discontinuing the practice of publishing arrearages on Classical apportionment, though upon investigation we do not find such action recorded in the Minutes.

Committee, V. W. Dippell, J. Lewis Fluck, J. V. George, W. D. Donat.

2. East Pennsylvania Classis requests the transfer of the Allentown College for Women to the Eastern Synod (p. 166).

3. Tohickon Classis requests Synod to limit the Board in the issuance of Annuity Bonds (p. 19).

III. Subjects Referred.

The several Classes took favorable action on the recommendations of Synod, with the following exceptions:

1. Goshenhoppen Classis takes exception to Synod's instruction in regard to the Apportionment for German Missions (p. 25).

2. Lebanon Classis, item 5, page 35, approves of the report of the Committee on Sunday-schools in Minutes of Synod (pp. 136-137), provided the Stated Clerk of Synod combines the reports of the respective Classes before the meeting of Synod, in a manner similar to that used by the Secretary of the Sunday-school in former years.

3. Tohickon Classis does not urge its pastors to present the matter of Annuity Bonds to the people (p. 19).

4. East Susquehanna Classis does not see its way open to carry forward its beneficiary work through Synod's Board of Education (p. 47).

5. Philadelphia Classis reiterates its action of last year with reference to Beneficiary Education, namely: That it does not see its way clear to adopt Synod's suggestion. The same Classis further states that its treasurer holds receipts for arrearages noted in Min. of Synod, 1904 (p. 127).

IV. Appeals and Complaints.

None.

V. Charges That Paid Apportionments.

Lebanon Classis—St. Mark's, Tabor and St. John's, of Lebanon; Bethany, Swatara, Annville; Campbelltown, Grace Church, of Richland.

Reading Classis—St. Paul's, Second, Calvary, St. Thomas, Hamburg, Swartswald, Leesport, St. Mark's, St. Andrew's, Faith, St. James, St. Stephen's, First Reformed, St. John's and Alsace.

Lehigh Classis—Zion's, St. John's, Salem, Christ, Trinity, Grace, St. Andrew's, and Dubb's Memorial Church, Allentown, Pa.; Egypt, Lehigh, Mahoning, Lansford, Macungie, Christ (Packerton) and Coplay.

Lancaster Classis—New Holland; Salem at Heller's; Salem at Rohrerstown; Salem, Harrisburg; Foruth Church, Harrisburg; St. Stephen's, Lancaster; Trinity, Columbia; St. Luke's, Lancaster; Zion's, Millersville; Reamstown; St. Paul's, Lancaster; Maytown; Christ, Elizabethtown; Second Church, Harrisburg; St. John's, Harrisburg; Faith, Lancaster, St. Andrew's, Lancaster; Manheim; First Church, Steelton; Willow street; Hummelstown; First Church, Lancaster; Armstrong Valley; Zion's, New Providence; St. Paul's, Quarryville; Trinity, Mountville (p. 43).

Schuylkill Classis—St. John's, Schuylkill Haven; St. Mark's, Cressona; Frackville; Trinity, Shenandoah; Trinity, Pottsville; St. John's, Tamaqua; St. Paul's, Mahanoy City; Trinity, Tamaqua; Orwigsburg.

Wyoming Classis—Weatherly; Freeland; Milton; Emanuel, Hazleton; Zion, Wilkes-Barre; Emanuel's; St. John's; Bloomsburg; Mausdale; Calvary; Danville; Conyngham; St. Luke; Wilkes-Barre; Berwick; Fayette; Nanticoke and Christ's Memorial.

East Pennsylvania Classis—First Church, Easton; Catasauqua; Dryland; Freemansburg; Stemton; W. Bethlehem; Plainfield; Grace, Easton; St. Mark, Easton; Bangor, Siegfried; Weisport; Howertown; Farmersville; N. Bethlehem; Schoenersville; Faith, Pen Argyl; St. Peter's, Tatamy; Towamensing; Hamilton; Oxford Furnace.

The Minutes of the remaining Classes contain no report on this subject.

VI. Licensed, Ordained, Received and Dismissed.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis licensed, May 25, 1905, Samuel E. Moyer, and dismissed him to Schuylkill Classis; received Rev. R. E. Reed from Lancaster Classis, Rev. A. P. Frantz from Gettysburg College (Pot. Sy.), and Rev. Paul S. Leinbach from Allegheny Classis (Pitts. Sy.); dismissed Rev. C. A. Butz to Lebanon Classis.

2. Lebanon Classis received, July 17, 1905, Lic. C. Harry Kehm from Tohickon Classis; ordained him, July 15, 1905; dismissed, Aug. 28, 1905, Rev. Frank S. Bromer to Iowa Classis (Sy. of Interior), and on the same date, Rev. Dr. H. A. Keyser to Schuylkill Classis; dismissed the Berne and Eppler congregations to Reading Classis.

3. Philadelphia Classis ordained, Lic. R. S. Snyder, June 29, 1905; licensed, July 11, 1905, W. C. Rittenhouse; received, March 29, 1905, Rev. Chas. A. Santee from Mercersburg Classis (Pot. Sy.); May 10, 1905, Rev. Maurice Samson from St. Joseph Classis (Ohio Sy.); June 27, 1905, Rev. Prof. W. J. Hinke from (German Synod of the East); June 25, 1905, Lic. R. S. Snyder from Lancaster Classis; dismissed, March 7, 1905, Rev. J. H. Faust to Gettysburg Classis (Pot. Sy.); June 27, 1905, Rev. Stephen Virag, of the Hungarian Church, Trenton, N. J., to the proposed Hungarian Classis (Pitts. Sy.); July 11, 1905, Lic. Wm. C. Rittenhouse to Lancaster Classis; Aug. 21, 1905, Rev. D. N. Dittmar to Maryland Classis (Pot. Sy.).

4. Lancaster Classis licensed, May 12, 1905, Frank Rohrer Lefever, Roy Ezra Leinbach, Wm. David Marburger, Reuben Sylvester Snyder; ordained, Nov. 6, 1904, John W. Ault; Feb. 26, 1905, Anselm Vinet Heister; July 30, 1905, Charles Edgar Roth; Aug. 6, 1905, Dallas Rhinehart Krebs; Aug. 30, 1905, Wm. Croll Rittenhouse; received, April 29, 1905, Rev. C. Noss, from Maryland Classis (Pot. Sy.); June 24, 1905, Rev. W. H. Hoch, from Wyoming Classis, July 27, 1905; Lic. Dallas R. Krebs, from Gettysburg Classis (Pot. Sy.); Aug. 17, 1905, Lic. Wm. C. Rittenhouse, from Philadelphia Classis; Oct. 9, 1905, Rev. Geo. Barston Raezer, from United Brethren Church; dismissed, May 12, 1905, Lic. Roy E. Leinbach, to Carlisle Classis (Pot. Sy.), and Wm. D. Marburger, to W.

Susquehanna Classis; June 24, 1905, Lic. Reuben S. Snyder, to Philadelphia Classis; July 27, 1905, Lic. Frank R. Lefever, to Iowa Classis (Sy. of Interior); Oct. 9, 1905, Rev. Dr. Thos. S. Land, to Lehigh Classis.

5. East Susquehanna Classis ordained, Sept. 4, 1904, Lic. James N. Blatt; dismissed, Jan. 23, 1905, Rev. Geo. G. Greenawald, to Goshenhoppen Classis, and Rev. L. D. Steckel to Westmoreland Classis (Pitts. Sy.); April 17, 1905, Rev. A. Zimmerman, to Eastern Ohio Classis (Ohio Sy.); received, May 30, 1905, Rev. Calvin P. Wehr, from Lehigh Classis; licensed, June 1, 1905, Geo. E. Kopenhaver, and ordained him, Sept. 12, 1905.

6. West Susquehanna Classis received, Dec. 1, 1904, Rev. F. W. Brown, from Westmoreland Classis (Pitts. Sy.), and Lic. Wm. D. Marburger, Sept. 7, 1905, from the Lancaster Classis; ordained, Aug. 18, 1904, Jesse M. Mengel, and restored the name of Martin M. Schweitzer to the Ministerial roll.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis licensed, May 30, 1905, in Zion's Reformed Church, Pottstown, Pa., Charles F. Freeman and Charles E. Roth; ordained, June 29, 1904, Lic. George W. Lutz; received, Feb. 6, 1905, Rev. Geo. G. Greenawald, from East Susquehanna Classis; dismissed, May 30, 1905, Lic. Chas. F. Freeman, to Lehigh Classis, and Lic. Chas. E. Roth, to Lancaster Classis.

8. Tohickon Classis licensed, June 7th, 1905, C. Harry Kehm; ordained, May 29, 1904, Lic. D. B. Clark, and Sept. 4, 1904, in Quakertown, Pa., Lic. I. O. Schell, and dismissed Lic. C. Harry Kehm, to Lebanon Classis.

9. Lehigh Classis dismissed, Jan. 10, 1905, Rev. Dr. T. J. Hacker to Virginia Classis (Pot. Sy.); received, April 24, 1905, Rev. H. M. J. Klein, from Zion's Classis (Pot. Sy.); dismissed, April 24, 1905, Rev. Calvin P. Wehr to East Susquehanna Classis; received, July 10, 1905, Lic. Charles F. Freeman, from Goshenhoppen Classis; ordained, July 30, 1905, in Summit Hill charge, Lic. Chas. F. Freeman, and on same date ordained Lic. Wm. G. Seiple, Ph.D., as missionary to Japan; licensed, May 31, 1905, Philip H. Fogel, Ph.D.; ordained,

Aug. 27, 1905, Lic. Philip H. Fogel, Ph.D., as assistant to his father.

10. Schuylkill Classis received, June 3, 1905, Lic. Samuel E. Moyer from East Pennsylvania Classis, and ordained him June 4, 1905, as pastor of Freidensburg charge.

11. Wyoming Classis received, Nov. 10, 1904, Rev. Arthur P. Steinbrey from St. John's Classis (Central Synod); dismissed, May 9, Rev. W. H. Hoch to Lancaster Classis, and on the same date dismissed Rev. G. E. Limbert to Juniata Classis (Pot. Sy.); received, Sept. 18, 1905, Henry B. Reagle from Reading Classis, and on same date dismissed Rev. J. W. Bell to Zion's Classis (Pot. Sy.).

12. Reading Classis received, March 20, 1905, from Lebanon Classis, Berne and Epler congregations; dismissed, April 3, 1905, Lic. Howard A. Althouse to Zion's Classis (Pot. Sy.), and Rev. H. B. Reagle to Wyoming Classis.

VII. Time and Place of Next Annual Meeting.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis will meet May 21, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in the Reformed church at Freemansburg, Pa. Rev. O. H. E. Rauch, President; Rev. F. H. Moyer, Treasurer; Rev. J. G. Rupp, Stated Clerk.

2. Lebanon Classis will meet on Friday, May 18, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in Trinity Reformed church, Palmyra, Lebanon county, Pa. Rev. V. W. Dippell, Ph.D., President; Rev. W. D. Donat, Stated Clerk; Rev. V. W. Dippell, Treasurer.

3. Philadelphia Classis will meet May 8, 1906, at 8 p. m., in Palatinate Reformed church, 56th and Girard avenue, Philadelphia, Pa. Ellwood W. Middleton, President; Rev. Chas. B. Alspach, Stated Clerk; Elder Jacob S. Sechler, Treasurer.

4. Lancaster Classis will meet on Friday, May 11, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in St. Stephen's Reformed church, New Holland, Lancaster county, Pa. Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, President; D. W. Gerhard, Stated Clerk; Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, Treasurer.

5. East Susquehanna Classis will meet on Monday, May 21, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in St. Peter's Reformed church, Mahanoy, Pa. Rev. A. M. Schaffner, President; Rev. J. Alvin Reber, Stated Clerk; George Hill, Esq., Treasurer.

6. West Susquehanna Classis will meet third Wednesday in May, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in Trinity Reformed church, Lewistown, Pa. Rev. R. Leighton Gerhart, D.D., President; ———, Stated Clerk; Rev. A. A. Block, Treasurer.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis will meet May 21, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in the Union church, Sumneytown, Montgomery county, Pa. Rev. D. K. Laudenslager, President; Rev. C. S. Wieand, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

8. Tohickon Classis will meet May 28, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in First Reformed church, Quakertown, Pa. Rev. W. H. Mader, President; Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Treasurer; Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., Stated Clerk.

9. Lehigh Classis will meet on Monday, May 14, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in the Union church of the Jordan charge, Lehigh county, Pa. Rev. David A. Winter, President; Rev. Dr. D. E. Schoedler, Stated Clerk; Rev. H. L. Fogelman, Treasurer.

10. Schuylkill Classis will meet on Monday, May 14, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in St. John's Reformed church, Tamaqua, Pa. Rev. George W. Hartman, President; Rev. O. H. Strunck, Treasurer; Rev. W. D. Stoyer, Stated Clerk.

11. Wyoming Classis will meet on the third Monday in the month of May, 1906, at 8 p. m., in Grace Reformed church, Hazleton, Pa. Rev. T. O. Stem, President; C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk; A. Houtz, Treasurer.

12. Reading Classis will meet on Monday, April 30, 1906, at 8 p. m., in St. Mark's Reformed church, Reading, Pa. Rev. Charles E. Creitz, President; H. Y. Stoner, Treasurer; S. R. Bridenbaugh, Stated Clerk.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. KOPLIN,

J. RAUCH STEIN,

I. M. SCHAEFFER,

F. A. BROWN,

C. N. HELLER.

The several items under the head of "Irregularities" were severally adopted. The 1st and 2d items under the head of "Requests" were adopted. The request of Tohickon Classis, in regard to the issuance of Annuity Bonds, was adopted and referred to the Tohickon Classis, with the request that it be presented to the General Synod for further explanation. The

several items under the head of "Subjects Referred" were severally adopted. The items under the head Sections V, VI and VII were severally adopted.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination presented the following report, which was adopted:
To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination begs leave to report that no papers were referred to us for consideration, nor has any one presented himself who demanded our time and attention.

Respectfully submitted,

HARRY N. BASSLER,
SAMUEL H. STEIN, S. P. BROWN.

ARTICLE XII.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The report on the State of the Church was presented on Monday during the afternoon session and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on the State of Religion and Morals begs leave to offer the following:

After a careful perusal of the Classical reports, we are prompted to say that the elements entering into the work and life of the churches of this Synod may be appropriately grouped under two heads, viz: the material and instrumental, and the spiritual and heavenly.

In comparing the statistical table of last year with that of this year, we are glad to report that, with few exceptions, the Church has made commendable progress. We have not gone back. Our cords have been lengthened and our stakes strengthened. Our people have been minded to erect larger and finer sanctuaries. Our ministers have been faithful to their ordination vows, preaching the Word with sincerity, and administering the means of grace as the organs of divine help and grace.

It is gratifying to know that our work in home and foreign lands have been growing with larger proportions, which calls for larger giving. It is a significant fact that the Synod now asks for as large an amount for Home Missions alone, as the whole Church some years ago contributed for all benevolences. Missionary societies and activities have been set on foot to advance these interests. The educational helps for the Sunday-schools, as urged by the Sunday-school Board, have been more largely employed for the growth of Christian knowledge.

While all the reports bear with them an air of success and growth, there is one fact spoken of that makes our hearts sad. It is the lack of students for the Christian ministry. This condition seems to be general throughout the Church. The tendency of the age is humanitarian, and the eyes of the young men are fixed upon other callings than those of the ministry. It is right here where the note of self-sacrifice and of the heroic ought to be impressed by our pastors upon the hearts of the young men. The highest and greatest service in the world is to be ministering in spiritual things to others. Other service with its influence will fail, but the things of God will remain. It will not be a work of dollars and cents, of peace and comfort, or the dissipations of society, but it will be a life that bears the impress of the martyrs. Fear God and keep His commandments is the *summum bonum* of life. Let our people then consecrate their sons, like Hannah of old, to the service of the sanctuary, and let the faithful be more importunate in their prayers to God that He might send more laborers into His vineyard.

But deeper and more gratifying are the signs of spiritual growth. If the Church has outwardly been enlarged and extended, it is the evident result of inward grace and life. There may be such a thing as an outward noise of trumpets, while the true spirit is absent, but it is not lasting nor satisfactory. We have the conviction that the ministry and laity are having a deeper consciousness of the presence of the living Christ with them. They believe that the Church is the ark of safety and the means of grace divine, instruments for the perfecting of our lives for glory. That in all the doctrinal differences of

our fathers, we, their sons, are having no misunderstanding that can not be surmounted. We feel that the many "isms" and societies which in this day are offered to men for the impartation of Christian culture, are usually wanting in the truth of the religion of Jesus. As a people we have held fast to the precious heritage which we have received through the Church of Christ that the true spirit of Protestantism might permeate the forces of modern life.

Some of the reports deplore the increasing indifference of men to divine things. This must be expected. Worldly men know not God. The things of the Spirit knoweth no man unless he is apprehended from on high by divine power. The ministry feels that they must be so much more faithful in proclaiming the presence of a divine power for the uplifting and enlightening of souls. There is a power from beneath working in this world, dragging it down to the abode of woe. What the world needs today is the power of the crucified Christ to lift it up. This is the great power of Christianity. Astronomy teaches that the earth and planets are kept swinging in their orbits by the power of attraction. The same is true spiritually. This world is subject to the power of another world, coming from on high. It is not the power that comes from culture and learning that will save men, but the veritable power of God. We have learned that the glorified life of Christ on the Day of Pentecost descended upon men and infused into their lives the infinite influence of its own nature. We have the same power today. It is the power of the great God coming down and laying hold of these poor, fallen lives of ours, and flooding them with the divine, until we realize the meaning of St. Paul's words, "Ye may be filled with all the fullness of God." This is the only power that can save men.

During the past year the following of our brethren in the ministry have laid down their burdens and entered into rest: Revs. E. H. Dieffenbacher, David Ginther Klein, J. W. Steinmetz, D.D., John H. Sechler, D.D., John M. Titzel, D.D., and Wm. A. Haas. They were faithful in service and their reward will not fail.

May the great God, Father, Son and Holy Ghost, guide us in service to glorify Him.

Respectfully submitted,

S. E. STOFFLET,

E. T. RHODES,

READING J. GEARY,

CALVIN M. DELONG,

MORRIS D. ZENDT.

Ministerial Necrology.

The following is the record of the ministerial brethren, containing a brief sketch of their labors in the Reformed Church, who have, while in connection with the Eastern Synod, died during the Synodical year, and which is herewith appended to the report on State of the Church, as a slight tribute to their memory.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

REV. EUSEBIUS HOTTEL DIEFFENBACHER.

Died November 27th, A. D. 1904.

Eusebius Hottel Dieffenbacher, son of Rev. Jacob F. Dieffenbacher and his wife, Dorothy Catherine, was born August 3d, A. D. 1837, at Woodstock, Va. He was educated in the institutions of the Church, being graduated from Franklin and Marshall College in 1863 and from the Eastern Theological Seminary in 1866. He was ordained in 1866 and installed as pastor of the charge in London, Mercer county, Pa.; in 1876 he became pastor of the Reformed church at Wyoming, Del.; in 1881 of Mann's Choice, in Bedford county, Pa., and from 1892 to 1895 he served Emanuel charge, Strawberry Ridge, Pa. On account of physical disability he retired from the active duties of the ministry and settled on Sunshine Farm, near Jerseytown, Pa., where, after prolonged suffering, he died November 27, 1904, at the age of 67 years, 3 months and 24 days.

Rev. Dieffenbacher was married twice. His first marriage was to Maria Louisa, daughter of Rev. Jonathan Zeller, with whom he was blessed with three children, two of which are living; his second wife was Lydia A., daughter of Benjamin

Kester, of Jerseytown, Pa., who with two children survive to mourn his departure.

He was a noble Christian gentleman, a faithful and conscientious minister of the Gospel, loyal and zealous for the honor and prosperity of the Church.

REV. DAVID GINTHER KLEIN.

Died January 17th, A. D. 1905.

David Ginther Klein was born in Berks county, Pa., October 21st, A. D. 1828. He was graduated in the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., in 1857. Licensed at Kutztown, May 7th, A. D. 1857, by East Pennsylvania Classis and ordained October 10th, at Bellefonte, Pa., by West Susquehanna Classis as pastor of the Bellefonte charge.

In 1865 he took charge of a Soldiers' Orphans Home at Jacksonville, Center county, Pa., and in connection with his labors in the Home he supplied several vacant congregations. In 1881 he entered the mission work in Clarion county, Pa. Subsequently he became pastor of the Clear Ridge charge, Bedford county, and later on of the Sugar Creek charge, Armstrong county, Pa., where he continued his labors until he had completed forty years in the ministry.

Rev. D. G. Klein was married September 9, 1858, to Maria Potts, of Fulton county, Pa. This marriage relation was blessed with six children, of which number two sons and three daughters survive. His faithful and beloved wife died in September, 1891, during his pastorate in the Sugar Creek charge. In December, 1898, he removed to Redding, Cal., where he made his home with his eldest daughter, Mrs. Mary K. Rohm. Being afflicted with chronic bronchitis and asthma, after spending seven years in the home of his daughter, he closed his earthly career at Redding, Cal., January 17, 1905, at the age of 76 years, 2 months and 26 days. His earthly remains were brought to East Brady, Pa., where they were reverently laid to rest by the side of his beloved wife, awaiting the general resurrection at the last day and the life of the world to come.

REV. JOHN W. STEINMETZ, D.D.

Died January 24th, A. D. 1905.

John W. Steinmetz, son of John and Anna Steinmetz, was born February 14, A. D. 1834, at Millbach, Lebanon county, Pa.

He was baptized and confirmed by the Rev. Thomas H. Leinbach, in the church at Schaefferstown. His academic training began in 1851 at Mercersburg, and he was graduated at Franklin and Marshall College in 1856 at Lancaster, and in 1858 at the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa. He was licensed May 17, 1858, by Lebanon Classis, and was ordained in the same year as pastor of the Sunbury charge, consisting of five congregations. In 1862 he became pastor of the Danville charge, and in 1875 he accepted the call to the St. John's church, Reading, Pa. After serving this congregation twenty-eight years, he was constrained by his increasing infirmities to resign his charge and spend his remaining allotted years in retirement. He died January 24, 1905, at the age of 70 years, 11 months and 10 days.

Dr. Steinmetz was married in 1858 to Mary Mays, of Schaefferstown, Pa., with whom he was blessed with two children. Charles M. and Anna Margaret Mays, who with their mother, survive to mourn his departure. He was a faithful pastor and a faithful servant in the Church, discharging with ability the various official positions assigned him in its several judicatories.

REV. JOHN H. SECHLER, D.D.

Died April 12, A. D. 1905.

John H. Sechler, son of Rev. Jacob and Anna Sechler, was born September 10, A. D. 1850, at Hanover, Pa. He grew up in his native village and was prepared for college at the Littlestown Classical Academy, and was graduated in 1870 from Franklin and Marshall College, Lancaster Pa. After devoting three years to the profession of teaching, he took a theological course at Ursinus College, and was licensed to preach the Gospel in 1875. He served the Boehm's charge, Blue Bell, fourteen years; the First Reformed church, Philadelphia, eight

years, and as Professor of Church History in the Ursinus School of Theology he served ten years. Dr. Sechler filled the laborious office of Stated Clerk in Philadelphia Classis for 28 years. He was a member of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church twelve years, and a member of the Executive Committee and a Director of Ursinus College fourteen years. He represented Philadelphia Classis in the Eastern Synod and in the General Synod almost continuously for 25 years. Dr. Sechler was twice married, and is survived by a widow and four children. He closed his earthly career April 12, 1905, in the 49th year of his age, and his earthly remains were interred in the historic cemetery of Boehm's church, where he began his labors in the Christian ministry. In this the first meeting of Synod since his demise his voice is no longer heard and our communion with him is silent as the night. Our fellowship with him is by the Spirit. Peace be with him while our hearts are waiting for the resurrection dawn.

REV. JOHN MARTIN TITZEL, D.D.

Died June 16th, A. D. 1905.

John M. Titzel, son of Christian and Mary Rupp Titzel, was born March 19, 1832, at Mechanicsburg, Pa. In his boyhood he attended the select clasiscal schools at New Kingston and Mechanicsburg, Pa. In 1852 he entered the Junior Class of Marshall College and was graduated in 1854. For two years he served as principal of the High School, Lebanon, Pa. He entered the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, where he finished his course in 1858. In the same year he was licensed to preach the Gospel, and was ordained in Frederick, Md., as pastor of the Reformed churches at Shepherdstown and Winchester, W. Va. In 1862 he became pastor of the Emmitsburg charge; in 1872 of the Reformed church at Irwin, Pa.; in 1879 at Altoona, Pa., and in 1885 of the First church, Lancaster, Pa. Dr. Titzel was scholarly in his attainments. He served as editor of the Reformed Quarterly Review and Reformed Church Messenger. He was married August 12, 1873, to Mary C., a daughter of Robert Allison, Emmitsburg, Md., and was blessed with four children, of which num-

ber three are living: Edgar, Matilda Helen and Robert John Titzel. Dr. Titzel in his later years was sorely afflicted with a paralytic attack, and in consequence of a fall his infirmities were increased. He found relief from his suffering and confinement on June 16, 1905, when he entered into the rest reserved for the people of God at the age of 73 years, 2 months and 27 days.

REV. WILLIAM A. HAAS.

Died October 8th, A. D. 1905.

William A. Haas was born January 20, 1840, at Pottsville, Pa. His earlier educational training was received at Freeburg, Pa., and his graduation took place at Franklin and Marshall College in 1864. His theological training was received in the Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa. In 1867 he entered upon the work of the ministry in the Augusta charge, near Sunbury, Pa. In 1871 he accepted the Selinsgrove charge, consisting of five congregations, where he continued in active service until July in the present year—a period of thirty-four years. When physical afflictions made it impossible to continue his work in the ministry, he laid down his armor and tendered, to the regret of the people whom he served, his resignation.

He was married to Miss Sarah A. Haus, of Mercersburg, with whom he was blessed with five children. The only members of the family surviving are two sons, Carl W. and Dr. Cyril H. Haas. The service of the latter has lately been accepted by the Board of Foreign Missions for China. Rev. Haas died at the age of 65 years, 8 months and 18 days. The funeral services were held on the 11th inst., in the church in Selinsgrove, and the body interred in the Union cemetery. The sermon was preached by Rev. A. C. Whitmer, from 1 Thess. 5: 13, "Esteem them very highly in love for their work's sake."

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS OF SERVICE AS STATED CLERK.

The President called the attention of the Synod to the fact that the Stated Clerk completes his 25th year of service for this body, and appointed Revs. Theo. F. Herman, E. C. Hibschan, and Elder J. A. Loose to form a suitable minute of the occasion. Before the closing of the session the following tribute was presented and adopted unanimously by a rising vote.

Minute of Respect for the Stated Clerk.

For twenty-five years the Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D., has served the Eastern Synod with unbroken continuity in the capacity of Stated Clerk.

The character of the man, the importance of his office, and the unusual length of his term of service, constitute a trinity of facts which properly challenge the attention of this Synod.

The Stated Clerk of a body like the Eastern Synod within its history and resources and prominent in the life and development of the whole Church, is more than the mere registrar of the items of its business. He is the chronicler handing down to posterity the data of history.

This Synod realizes with keen satisfaction that the fathers were wisely led in the election of their Stated Clerk twenty-five years ago. With skill, dignity and a high degree of faithfulness he has discharged the complex duties of his office, and the increasing years have brought him increased usefulness; therefore,

This Synod deems it a privilege to take official notice of this 25th anniversary, and to invoke upon its esteemed Stated Clerk the continuance of the gracious love and benign Providence which have led him to the 25th milestone in his Synodic

~~career.~~

And your committee suggests respectfully that, as a special mark of honor, this Minute of respect be adopted by a rising vote.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. F. HERMAN, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XIII.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE, THE EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND BOARD OF EDUCATION.**I. Reports.****(a) Report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.***To the Reverend Eastern Synod:*

At the late Commencement of Franklin and Marshall College, the following degrees were conferred:

The degree of A.B. upon the following members of the Senior Class:

John Wilberforce Appel, Jr.	George Albright Land.
George Allen Bickel.	Roy Mumma Lehman.
Theodore Clarence Brown.	Wayne Kalbach Leinbach.
Colin Cameron, Jr.	James Martin Lohr.
John Denlinger Charles.	Sylvester Kline Loy.
Leon Drill Dayhoff.	Herbert Hoffer Risser.
Werner Elster DeTurck.	Paul Nicholas Schaeffer.
Oswin Stricker Frantz.	Isaiah Herr Seitz.
John Showalter Galt, Jr.	Mortimer Lawrence Shuford.
Carl Leonard O. Graul.	Warren Edwin Snyder.
William Wilson Heinitsh.	John Baer Stoudt.
Edgar Franklin Hoffmeier.	George Myron Swan.
Norman Louis Horn.	Robert John Titzel.
Arthur Hambleton Hull.	Rufus William G. Wint.
Allen Kilheffer.	William Nevin Yearick.

And the degree of Ph.B. upon the following:

Francis Thompson Ewing.
Lloyd Ephraim Strohm.
Landis Tanger.

The degree of A.M. for graduate work done in residence was conferred upon:

John Ahlum Schaeffer.
Roland Brubaker Styer.

At the request of the Faculty of the Theological Seminary, the degree of B.D. was conferred upon the Rev. Edwin S. Leinbach.

The degree of A.M. in course was conferred upon the following:

William. Krichbaum, '95.	David I. Schaeffer, '98.
William L. Smith, '95.	Charles E. Haupt, Jr., '00.
Glenn C. Heller, '98.	Charles A. Lauffer, '00.
Walter K. Baer, '01.	J. C. Petre, '02.
William K. Kretchman, '01.	Charles E. Rotz, '02.
Oliver Scott Schaeffer, '01.	C. George Shupe, '02.
Everett H. Sperow, '01.	Luther F. Stoudt, '02.
John F. Buchheit, '02.	Calvin N. Wenrich, '02.

Daniel L. Evans, '02.	William R. Weaver, '02.
Ira F. Frankenfield, '02.	Henry C. Welker, '02.
Albert V. Lampe, '02.	John P. Wentling, '02.
John B. Ludy, '02.	Arthur L. Yoder, '02.
William D. Marburger, '02.	Ralph E. Yoder, '02.
Jacob W. Zehring, '02.	

The following honorary degrees were conferred:

D.D.
 Rev. Prof. Melancthon Cooper.
 Rev. Thomas S. Land.
 Litt.D.
 Theodore Wright, Philadelphia.

On the whole, the condition of the College during the past year has been prosperous. The number of students enrolled was 186 in the College and 185 in the Academy, as over against 180 in the College and 184 in the Academy during the previous year.

At the beginning of the present year there is a large increase in the number of students. Seventy-six new students were enrolled; the actual attendance is 188; and the enrollment for the year will exceed 200. This shows that the work done in the field is not only securing funds for the College, but is also making the College better known, and, notwithstanding the keen rivalry of competing colleges, is adding largely to its patronage.

During the summer vacation the Chapel of the College was greatly improved and beautified. The walls were frescoed, new windows were put in, the floors newly carpeted, the lighting facilities improved, and an electric motor secured for the organ. The improvements cost about \$2,000, of which sum St. Stephen's Church undertook to provide about \$1,700. The motor was paid for out of a special fund raised for this purpose by Mrs. J. B. Kieffer.

The work of instruction has been faithfully carried out, all the professors having diligently attended to their work. Dr. Dubbs received leave of absence from the beginning of April that he might enjoy a well-deserved period of rest in foreign travel. Profs. Schiedt, Wagner and Hartman also spent their summer vacation in Europe, and the rest and inspiration received in this way will, no doubt, inure to the great advantage of their work in behalf of the College.

The only difficulty experienced during the year in the maintenance of good order was in the occurrence of several cases of hazing, one of which proved of a rather serious character. The action of the Faculty, taken in consultation with the Board of Trustees Committee on Discipline, to inflict such punishment as under the circumstances seemed expedient, and to give public notice that, hereafter, all cases of hazing should be turned over for prosecution and punishment to the civil authorities is in force, and it is expected that it will reach the end in view.

1. It will be remembered that in 1893, at the suggestion of the Faculty, the Board of Trustees abolished the conferring of the honorary degrees of A.M. and Ph.D. and instituted an arrangement by which these degrees could be secured for work done under the supervision of the Faculty with such regulations and safeguards as might seem necessary. The whole subject was brought up again by the action of the Advisory Council of Alumni taken last year, and the Faculty this year submitted to the Board of Trustees the following action.

1. In view of the fact that the leading colleges and universities of the country require a strictly resident course of at least two years for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) and refuse to recognize it as valid if given for purely non-resident work, and considering that we have neither sufficient teaching force nor facilities for resident work, be it resolved,

1. That we owe it to ourselves as well as to the aspirants for such a degree, to petition the Board of Trustees to abolish the conferring of the degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) after the scholastic year of 1906-1907, and to order the passage relating to this degree to be omitted from the next catalogue.

2. In compliance with the request of the Advisory Council of Alumni we suggest to the same Board to abolish after the present year the conferring of the Master's degree in course hitherto given to our own graduates three years after graduation. Instead we suggest:

1. That the Master's degree be given one year after graduation to resident students, or two years after graduation to non-resident students, who have completed a course of graduate study, consisting of one major and one minor covering

not less than ten recitation hours in the former and five recitation hours in the latter case, and have presented an original thesis on the major subject, satisfactory to the professor in charge.

2. That the major course shall consist of strictly post-graduate work in any branch, undergraduate preparation of which has been completed under the chief requirements of the specific undergraduate degree.

3. That the minor course may consist of undergraduate work more thoroughly elaborated.

4. That each member of the Faculty be requested to write out what he considers his chief undergraduate requirements, and in connection therewith present a scheme covering the major and minor requirements for the Master's degree in his department.

The Board of Trustees acted favorably on the propositions submitted, and the policy of the College in the future will be shaped accordingly.

II. The Faculty recommended to the Board of Trustees that in the appointment of a Physical Instructor special attention be given as to his ability to give regular physical training to all the students in the gymnasium during the regular periods assigned for this purpose. Steps have been taken to make gymnasium practice as efficient as possible, and improvements have been made in the building with this end in view.

III. The Rev. Dr. Elmer E. Powell, who for the last five years filled the Chair of Modern Languages, handed in his resignation with a view to the acceptance of a position as Professor of Philosophy in Miami University, Oxford, Ohio. Dr. Powell rendered faithful and effective service, and we parted with him with regret. The resignation was accepted, and the vacancy caused by this resignation was filled by the election of Frank Clifton Smith, Ph.D.

IV. The salary of Prof. C. Nevin Heller was increased by \$150, so as to be \$1,350. Prof. Heller has been Assistant Professor of Ancient Languages since 1895 and has done excellent work. His abundant and successful labors in the College deserve recognition, and the cost of living in Lancaster and his family expenses are such as to make an increase of salary exceedingly desirable.

V. Prof. John Milton Chambers was again appointed, in connection with the Theological Seminary, as Professor of Oratory on the same terms as last year; and Prof. Herbert H. Beck was elected Assistant Professor of Chemistry, the salary and conditions to be the same as agreed upon last year.

VI. During the past year a number of additions have been secured to the Museum, and progress has been made in the securing of cases for its equipment. It was found that the Wistar Institute, of Philadelphia, was putting steel cases in its museum, and a number of excellent wooden cases were therefore offered for sale. As there was some money available for the purpose, it was felt that these cases ought to be secured, and they are now set up in the Museum and appear to be admirably adapted for our purpose. They cost \$660, and it is hoped that we shall be able to purchase additional cases and have the specimens of the College, as well as those of the Linnean Society, arranged in order. During the summer vacation Prof. Beck spent a great deal of time on the classification and arrangement of our geological and mineralogical specimens, and with the new cases secured and in prospect, we shall soon have a very fine collection in our Museum.

VII. The finances of the College are in good condition. The details of the year's operations appeared from the Treasurer's report and the report of Mr. Hartman, assistant to the President, who has been conducting the canvass in the field for the increase of the endowment. It is encouraging to see that the excess of expenditures over income during the past year is not as great as it was during previous years. During the year 1903-1904 there was a deficit of \$4,655.21. During the year 1904-1905 the deficit was only \$2,992.72. This, as I have said, is encouraging; but still it is a deficit, and it is highly important that the canvass for the \$150,000 to be added to the endowment be pressed to its successful conclusion, and that as speedily as possible.

VIII. Two circumstances have arisen to complicate the situation and to make strenuous efforts for the securing of additional funds highly important. Some time ago we made application to Mr. Andrew Carnegie for a contribution, stating that the three objects most needed at the present time were an increase of the endowment fund, the erection of a

w Academy building, and the erection of a students' dormitory. Mr. Carnegie replied, generously offering either \$50,000 as a contribution to the endowment fund, or \$37,500 toward the erection of a new Academy building, on condition that a similar amount be raised by the College for the same purpose. In consultation with the Finance Committee and the local Trustees it was felt that the offer of \$37,500 toward the erection of a new Academy building was on the whole, most advantageous to the College. The \$150,000 additional endowment, we feel confident, will be secured if the work is pressed to its conclusion as it has now been carried forward by the different Synods. A new Academy building will secure to the College a large number of new students and thus increase the income from students' fees; at the same time that it will offer better facilities for the education of the boys and young men who look forward to a course in College. In addition to this, an increased number of students will secure to the College, under the new arrangement which will necessarily have to be effected, a considerable income from the Academy which will be, virtually, the securing of interest from the money put into the Academy building as so much additional endowment to the College. In view of this fact, it was decided to accept Mr. Carnegie's offer, and the Board of Trustees approved of this action.

[X. The growth of Lancaster city toward the west and northwest is enhancing the value of real estate in that portion of the city, and the land which surrounds the grounds of the College is rapidly being put on the market and will soon be sold up. A tract of land to the west of the College grounds is thus put upon the market, and as this was perhaps the last opportunity to secure it at a much more reasonable rate than it would be had hereafter, the College was virtually forced to make arrangements for buying this ground. The Finance Committee and local Trustees, therefore, made arrangements to secure this ground for the College at a cost of \$32,000, and the Board of Trustees approved the purchase. This will necessitate the raising of an additional amount to meet the emergency.

It will be seen, therefore, that the present conditions are such to require special effort on the part of all friends of the

College. The opportunities before us are great, and this is the time to secure advantages which will prove of permanent benefit to the institution.

The term of service of John D. Skiles and B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., as members of the Board of Trustees expires this year and it will devolve upon the Eastern Synod to fill the vacancies.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR,
President Franklin and Marshall College.

(b) Report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

BRETHREN: The undersigned respectfully submits to your reverend body the annual report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary for the year 1904-1905.

1. The Seminary year began Sept. 15, 1904, and was continued without interruption to May 11, 1905. The new professors have given universal satisfaction, the Faculty have labored together zealously, and the students have engaged in their work with renewed courage and brighter hope. For this we have every reason to be thankful to the great Head of the Church.

2. Ten students were admitted to the Junior class, all of whom are graduates of Franklin and Marshall College except two, Mr. McHose and Mr. Yearick. The latter is pursuing a partial course. The members of this class were advanced to Middlers after having passed a satisfactory examination. They are:

James Alfred Boehm,
Daniel David Brendle.
Lee Marcus Erdman,
Alfred Jasper Herman,
John Nathan LeVan,

Clarence Norton McHose,
Paul Bertram Rupp,
Charles Edgar Rupp,
Dennis Sipple,
Jonas Leidy Yearick.

3. The Middle class is composed of those who were reported last year as members of the Junior class, with the following exceptions. Mr. John F. Buchheit, who had discontinued his studies in the Seminary during the Middle year in order to teach, returned to the Seminary in Sept., 1904, and was admitted to this class. Two members of the class were advised to

continue their studies for the ministry, of which fact due notice has been given to their respective Classes. One member of the class, Mr. Frederick Richards, departed this life, Aug. 1904. This sad death added to the gloom which over-looked the Seminary at the time. Mr. Richards was a zealous student, the youngest of his class and a "workman that needeth not to be ashamed." After satisfactory examination the Juniors were advanced to the Senior class, except the two who were advised to discontinue.

The Senior class remains the same as a year ago. Mr. Marburger, of this class, by consent of the Faculty, was absent from the institution the whole year, having been called to the presidency of an Academy in New Berlin, Pa. He continued his studies, was examined with his class, and his examination was entirely satisfactory. But in view of his continued absence from the Seminary it was deemed best to withhold the testimonial. The usual testimonial was accorded the other members of the class.

John Hassler Detrich,
Charles F. Freeman,
E. Lewis Higbee,
C. Harry Kehm,
Henri L. G. Kieffer
Edward Sinn Lamar,

*William D. Marburger,
Charles Edward Meyers,
Samuel Edmund Moyer,
Wm. C. Rittenhouse,
Charles Edgar Roth,
Cyrus George Shupe,

Jacob Wm. Zehring.

by permission,

The Faculty has exercised careful supervision over the conduct of the students and reports them in general to have been diligent in study, gentlemanly in deportment and exemplary in life.

Four students are pursuing the post-graduate course, Rev. Edwin S. Leinbach in the Senior year, and Rev. Wm. Brong, Rev. Jerome Leinbach, and Rev. Irwin D. Schell in Junior year.

In November, 1904, the Faculty of the Seminary and the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees suggested to Mrs. Barbara Swander, Tiffin, Ohio, the propriety of changing the Lectureship founded by her to a Professorship. In accordance with this suggestion Mrs. Swander cheerfully consented to the change proposed in the use of the Swander Memorial Fund, and authorized her husband, the Rev. John I. Swander,

D.D., to represent her in the mutual arrangement of all the necessary details in the matter.

In order to effect the suggested change the Faculty submitted to the Board of Visitors, and through the said Board, with its approval, to the Synods, the following recommendations:

I. That the Eastern Synod, the Pittsburgh Synod and the Synod of the Potomac, be requested to so modify their respective action relating to the Swander Lectureship, taken during their annual sessions, in the year 1900, as to permit and approve the changes herewith proposed.

II. That the fund now set apart for the endowment of a Lectureship having been completed in the sum of (\$30,000) thirty thousand dollars be converted into an endowment fund for the maintenance of the Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander Professorship of Systematic Theology.

III. That the Board of Trustees of the Seminary be directed to change all securities which they now hold as a lectureship fund so as to conform to the professorship fund.

IV. That the Board of Visitors, with the approval of the three Synods above named, appoint Dr. Swander Associate Professor in the Department of Systematic Theology in the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States, and that the services of Dr. Swander be such as shall be agreed upon by Professor Noss and himself, subject to the approval of the Faculty.

V. That the salary of the Associate Professor be the annual revenue derived from the invested fund; and should Mrs. Barbara Swander survive her husband the Board of Trustees, in further consideration of his professorial services, be directed to pay to her the sum of (\$1,200) twelve hundred dollars per annum during the remainder of her natural life.

The above recommendations were approved by the Board of Visitors and are respectfully submitted to your reverend body for such action as you may deem wise.

8. Professor John M. Chambers served the Seminary as Professor of Oratory and arrangements were made with the Board of Trustees of the College to secure the continuance of his satisfactory labors. The Synods are hereby respectfully overtured to make provision for this purpose in the following

ns: Eastern Synod, \$375 ; Pittsburgh Synod, \$125 ; Synod of Potomac. \$250.

l. The committee on the increase of the endowment of Seminary has been continued, and the Faculty has appointed the same work, Professors Richards and Noss, of the East-Synod, Professor Bowman, of the Pittsburgh Synod, and fessor Schaeffer, of the Synod of the Potomac.

o. The term of Rev. A. J. Heller, D.D., of the Pitts-gh Synod, expires 1905.

i. The officers of the Board are Rev. E. R. Eschbach,), President, and Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Secretary.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary.*

Larrisburg, Pa., Oct. 9, 1905.

) **Report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.**

the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Enclosed find the annual report of John Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological minary, at Lancaster, Pa.

During the past year the Board held two regular meetings. : first meeting was held May 11th, 1905, when the following ers were elected: President, John W. Appel, Esq.; Vice-sident, John D. Skiles; Treasurer, John B. Roth, and Sec-ry, Jeremiah S. Hess.

Rev. Dr. J. I. Swander and wife increased the "Sarah Ellen Nevin Ambrose Swander Memorial Fund" by the addition Ten Thousand Dollars, upon which the Board passed the owing resolution.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Board and of the Church due to Rev. Dr. J. I. Swander and Barbara Swander for additional gift and that the Board accept the gift with titude.

The second meeting was held October 10th, 1905.

The following minute on the death of Messrs. Heilman and river was adopted by the Board.

It is with deep sorrow that the Board of Trustees makes ord of the death of two of its members within the present

year, Mr. George G. Heilman, Heilmandale, Pa., and Mr. Jacob H. Schriver, Hanover, Pa.

Mr. Heilman was a noble representative of an old historic family in the Reformed Church. He was a man of positive, sterling character, and of a well-balanced judgment, though of quiet, retiring disposition. In his devotion to the Church and her institutions he never faltered. For eighteen years he was a faithful member of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, although for several years on account of increasing infirmities, he was unable to attend regularly the meetings of the Board.

He was just such a type of man as to give honor to the Seminary in having his name linked to it as one of the founders of the Theological Library Building.

Mr. Jacob H. Schriver, of Hanover, Pa., became a member of the Board in 1901.

His genial disposition and modest demeanor at once won the respect and friendship of his fellow-members. He accepted his office as a call to service, and he stood ready to help forward every movement looking toward the advancement of the Seminary's interest.

Although among the last elected to the membership of the Board, he gave promise of becoming one of its most active and efficient members.

The Church, as well as the immediate family, have cause to sorrow deeply over his very sudden demise.

The members of the Board, while they mourn the departure of Mr. Heilman and Mr. Schriver from this sphere of active service, hereby extend their sympathy to the bereaved families, and make grateful record of their appreciation of the worthy character and valuable services of the deceased.

During the past year the Board purchased two lots of ground, one on the north of the present ground fronting on Frederick street for \$3,500.00, and one on the northeast corner of James and Pine streets for \$5,750.00. By the purchase of the first-named lot the grounds extend to another street and are now bounded by a street on each side. The second lot was necessary for the professors' houses. The Board respectfully asks the approval of the Synods.

The following preamble and resolutions were adopted by the Board:

WHEREAS, Ground has been secured for the erection of two professors' houses, one for the use of a professor of the Eastern Synod, and one for the use of a professor of the Potomac Synod,

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees hereby authorizes the construction of said houses on the ground at the northeast corner of West James and Pine streets and recommends the appointment of a building committee, which shall superintend the construction of said houses, the committee to consist of nine members, three from the Seminary faculty, viz: Professors Gast, Bowman and Schaeffer, three from the Board of Trustees, viz: John B. Roth, Israel Laucks and William R. Barnhart, and three from the Synods, one from the Eastern Synod, one from the Potomac Synod and one from the Pittsburgh Synod, each Synod appointing its own representative at its next meeting, and

Resolved, That until other provision be made for the payment of the buildings, it is recommended that the Synods provide for the payment of the interest on the money expended in their construction in the proportion usually observed between the Synods. The following resolution was also adopted.

Resolved, That the Synods be requested to appropriate \$3,600 toward the payment of the annual expenses of the Seminary in the following ratio:

Eastern Synod.....	\$1,800 00
Potomac Synod.....	1,200 00
Pittsburgh Synod.....	600 00

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS, *Secretary*.

George G. Heilman's term expires 1908.

(d) Report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

John B. Roth, Treasurer, in account with the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.

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1904.

Oct.	1.	For interest paid by J. C. Bowman, D.D., to October 1	\$ 40 00
	1.	For amount paid by J. C. Bowman, D.D., telephone	3 00

		For interest paid by—	
	3.	Simon Shissler, to Oct. 1, 1904.....	80 00
	3.	P. M. Ermentrout, to Oct. 1, 1904.....	112 50
	3.	George W. Schroyer, to Oct. 1, 1904.....	95 00
	8.	C. S. Herr, to Oct. 1, 1904.....	100 00
	8.	W. U. Hensel, Trustee, to Oct. 1, 1904....	50 00
	13.	St. John's Reformed Church, Shamokin, to June 1, 1904	12 50
	19.	Kieffer Legacy, on account	160 00
	19.	Cook Legacy, to Oct. 1, 1904.....	30 00
Nov.	3.	Sunbury, Hazleton & Wilkes-Barre, Nov. 1, 1904	28 00
	3.	Scranton Traction Co., Nov. 1, 1904.....	30 00
	3.	Baltimore & Harrisburg, Nov. 1, 1904...	23 00
	3.	West End Traction Co., Nov. 1, 1904....	2 50
	15.	John Becker, property rental and income	22 06
	30.	Kieffer Legacy, on account	62 50
	30.	Penna. R. R. Stock, to Nov., 1904.....	150 00
Dec.	1.	Lehigh Valley R. R. bonds, to Dec. 1, 1904	150 00
	26.	W. H. Rineer, on account	30 00
	31.	Washington & L. Erie bonds, Jan. 1, 1905	150 00
1905.			
Jan.	2.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, telephone	3 00
	3.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co., div. No. 56....	20 00
	12.	Harrisburg Bridge Co., div. to Jan. 1, 1905	2 55
	16.	H. Wood Flinn, to Jan. 1, 1905.....	62 50
Feb.	1.	Salem Coal bonds, to Feb. 1, 1905.....	25 00
	4.	E. E. Smith estate, in full	287 50
	16.	A. A. Fritz, int. to Apr. 1, 1905.....	58 75
Mch.	1.	Springfield Water bonds, to date	37 50
	1.	Berwyn Water Bonds, to date.....	60 00
	6.	E. J. Perry, Mortgage, to Feb. 18, 1905..	60 00
	6.	Sue R. Wolfersberger, to Apr. 1, 1905....	75 00
	24.	Kieffer Legacy, on account	97 50
	28.	George W. Schroyer, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	95 00
	29.	Benj. S. Schindle, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	125 00
	29.	Edith Smithgall, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	27 50
	29.	E. M. Eshleman, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	100 00
	29.	John B. Roth, Jr., to Apr. 1, 1905.....	112 50
	29.	W. F. Hambright, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	71 46
	31.	Lancaster Traction Co., to Apr. 1, 1905..	137 50
	31.	Simon Shissler, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	87 50
	31.	W. C. Armstrong, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	275 00
	31.	W. U. Hensel, Trustee, to Apr. 1, 1905...	50 00
Apr.	1.	John F. Bassler, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	27 50
	1.	S. J. Johnson, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	75 00
	1.	J. C. Bowman, D.D., to Apr. 1, 1905.....	20 00
	1.	J. C. Bowman, D.D., telephone	3 00
	1.	F. Grant Westly, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	48 00
	1.	Kieffer Legacy, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	155 00
	1.	Cook Legacy, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	30 00
	4.	Lehigh Classis, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	15 00
May	1.	Sunbury, Hazleton & Wilkes-Barre, to May 1, 1905	28 00
	1.	Baltimore & Harrisburg, to May 1, 1905..	23 00
	1.	Scranton Traction Co., to May 1, 1905....	30 00
	1.	West End Traction Co., to May 1, 1905..	2 50

	2.	P. M. Ermentrout, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	112 50	
	4.	C. S. Herr (Hensel), to Apr. 1, 1905.....	100 00	
	13.	Amos Christ, to Apr. 1, 1905.....	90 00	
	30.	Penna. R. R. Stock, to May 1, 1905.....	150 00	
ine	1.	Lehigh Valley R. R., to June 1, 1905.....	150 00	
ily	1.	Washington & L. Erie, coal bonds.....	150 00	
	1.	Conestoga Traction Co., bonds, from Apr. 20, 1905	38 89	
	3.	Electric Light bill, error, money returned	2 38	
	6.	Dividend 57, Allemannia Fire Ins. Co...	20 00	
	6.	H. Wood Flinn, to July 1, 1905.....	62 50	
	11.	Harrisburg Bridge Co., dividend stock...	2 55	
ug.	2.	Salem Coal bonds, to Aug. 1, 1905.....	25 00	
	15.	Telephone of Dr. Bowman	3 00	
	17.	W. H. Rineer, on account.....	25 00	
ept.	2.	E. J. Perry, mortgage, to Aug. 18, 1905...	60 00	
	2.	Springfield W. bond, Sept. 1, 1905.....	37 50	
	2.	Berwyn W. bond, Sept. 1, 1905.....	60 00	
	13.	Endowment Fund, by Seminary Aid Fund	697 75	
	18.	James Smithgall, for coal	7 20	
	18.	Charles H. Locher, interest, on account..	60 00	
	18.	For balance due Seminary Aid, charged to Treasurer as income	2,120 96	
	19.	To interest paid by W. S. Cramer, to May 7, 1906	5 00	
		To interest paid by—		
	20.	George W. Schroyer, to Oct. 1, 1905.....	95 00	
	23.	A. H. Fritz, to Oct. 1, 1905.....	58 75	
	26.	John C. Bowman, D.D., to Oct. 1, 1905...	20 00	
	26.	Benjamin S. Schindle, to Oct. 1, 1905....	125 00	
	26.	John B. Roth, Jr., to Oct. 1, 1905.....	112 50	
	27.	S. J. Johnson, to Oct. 1, 1905.....	37 50	
	29.	Lancaster Traction Co., bonds, to Oct. 1, 1905	137 50	
	29.	Harrisburg Bridge Co., bonds, to Aug. 1, 1905	5 00	
	30.	Simon Shissler, to Oct. 1, 1905.....	87 50	
			<hr/>	\$ 8,317 80
1905.				
ct.	1.	Amount of balance due Endowment Fund.....	8,933 95	
			<hr/>	\$17,251 75

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ct.	1.	By amt. balance due Endowment Fund...	\$8,150 97	
		By amount paid—		
ct.	4.	Prof. J. M. Chambers on salary.....	75 00	
	5.	Seminary electric light bill for Sept., 1904	1 58	
	5.	P. O. box rent	1 00	
	8.	Mary Malone, in full	12 00	
	10.	Penna Telephone Co., to Dec. 31, 1904....	9 00	
	10.	Seminary ad. in 1905 Oriflamme.....	10 00	
	10.	Seminary ad. in Catawba Col. Educator..	9 00	
	22.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to Oct. 1, 1904	2 00	
	26.	James Smithgall, bill for work and repairs	20 00	
	26.	William Wohlsen, bill	17 00	

Nov.	3.	Cora Pryor, bill	5 00
	3.	Seminary ad. in Everett Souvenir.....	3 00
	3.	Insurance on Becker property	8 38
	3.	Seminary ad. in Messenger	90 00
	3.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary	200 00
	3.	G. W. Richards, D.D., on salary.....	200 00
	3.	Rev. Christopher Noss, on salary.....	200 00
	3.	Hager Brothers, bill	28 50
	3.	Seminary electric light bill and Gas Co...	7 50
	5.	G. W. Richards, expenses to Synod.....	6 00
	7.	Mary Malone	12 00
	7.	William Wahlsen & Son's bill	2 77
	9.	A. H. Eshleman, painting bill	12 00
	19.	Fisher & Powell's bill, plumbing	14 29
	30.	Henry S. Rich, insurance agent.....	6 10
	30.	Shreiner & Stauffer, bill	7 91
Dec.	1.	Seminary electric light bill, Nov., 1904..	2 70
	5.	Seminary ad. in 1905 Almanac.....	23 00
	5.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1905...	175 00
	5.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1905	175 00
	5.	Rev. C. Noss, salary to Jan. 1, 1905.....	175 00
	5.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary to Jan. 1, '05	75 00
	12.	John B. Roth, Treas., salary to Jan. 1, 1905	125 00
	13.	Rev. John G. Noss, services	120 00
	17.	James Smithgall on salary	50 00
	26.	Fisher & Powell, bills in full	16 00
	26.	Lancaster Elec. Light Supply & Con. Co.	28 06
	26.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary, Jan., 1905..	50 00
	31.	George Ruth's bill	2 50
	31.	Mary Malone, bill	25 00
1905.			
Jan.	2.	Seminary electric light bill, Dec., 1904...	4 85
	5.	Penna. Telephone Co., bill to Apr. 1, 1905	9 00
	10.	Postage stamps for Seminary use.....	6 00
	11.	Seminary ad. in Christian World, 1905...	6 00
	16.	P. O. box to Apr. 1, 1905.....	1 00
	16.	Shreiner & Stauffer, bill to Jan. 1, 1905...	4 46
	21.	Seminary water bill to Jan. 1, 1905.....	3 00
Feb.	1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary	200 00
	1.	G. W. Richards, D.D., on salary.....	200 00
	1.	Rev. C. Noss, on salary	200 00
	1.	Barry & Zecher Co., bill	5 54
	1.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, for Feb., 1905.....	50 00
	1.	James Smithgall, repair bill	20 00
	4.	Seminary electric light bill, Jan., 1905....	5 30
	4.	Flinn & Breneman, bill	125 00
	4.	Baumgardner Coal Co.	115 20
	9.	I. Carpenter, bill of survey of lot.....	3 00
	9.	Rent of gas meter in Seminary.....	75
	17.	Recording deeds, etc., in Appel lot	9 75
	25.	Mary Malone, stenographer	24 00
	27.	Flinn & Breneman's bill	7 11
	27.	Shreiner & Stauffer's bill	11 30
	28.	John B. Roth, Treasurer, on salary.....	50 00
Mch.	1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Apr. 1, 1905...	175 00
	1.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Apr. 1, '05	175 00
	1.	Rev. C. Noss, salary to Apr. 1, 1905.....	175 00
	1.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary to Apr. 1, '05	50 00

	1.	Seminary electric light bill, Feb., 1905....	6 75
	20.	Baumgardner Coal Co., bill, Feb. 15, '05..	72 00
	25.	James Smithgall, janitor, on account....	25 00
	28.	John B. Roth, Treas., to Apr. 1, 1905....	75 00
r.	1.	Seminary electric light bill, Mar., 1905..	4 61
	1.	New Era Printing Co., for catalogues...	110 92
	3.	Nolty & Bro., bill to date	4 95
	3.	Mary Malone, stenographer, Mar. 25, 1905	12 00
	3.	E. S. LaMar, for P. O. stamps, catalogues	14 00
	5.	P. O. box rent to July 1, 1905.....	1 00
	8.	Penna. Telephone Co., bill to July 1, 1905.	9 00
	8.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, for April, 1905....	50 00
	11.	Seminary ad. in College Student, 1905..	6 00
	20.	Mary Malone, stenographer, in full.....	12 00
	24.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to April 1, 1905	9 80
	24.	J. C. Bowman, D.D., water bill, by meter, to April 1, 1905	8 25
ly	1.	Seminary electric light bill, Apr., 1905....	3 38
	1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary account.....	200 00
	1.	G. W. Richards, D.D., on salary account..	200 00
	1.	Rev. Christopher Noss, on salary acct....	200 00
	1.	J. M. Chambers, salary for May, 1905.....	50 00
	1.	'92 Class Prize Fund, int. to May 8, 1905.	24 15
	1.	Schaff Prize Fund, int. to May 8, 1905..	94 20
	1.	J. F. Dietz Prize Fund, int. to Apr. 1, 1905	100 00
	1.	J. F. Dietz Library Fund, int. to Apr. 1, '05	180 00
	1.	James Smithgall, on salary account.....	100 00
	1.	Recording transfer of mortgage.....	1 50
	1.	City water tax on Seminary houses to April 1, 1906	38 00
	4.	Rev. Dr. Richards, Sec'y, for P. Stamps..	5 00
	4.	F. Faesig bill and P. R. R. Co., freight..	1 75
	8.	F. J. Faesig, bill of May 6, 1905.....	6 50
	8.	Lancaster Gas Light and Fuel Co.....	75
	10.	Lancaster Intelligencer bill	2 50
	12.	L. V. Hetrick, to pay Rev. Dr. Kent.....	25 00
	13.	John B. Roth, on salary account.....	50 00
	18.	John C. Bowman, D.D., bill	1 50
	27.	Mary Malone, stenographer	10 50
	29.	James Smithgall, bill of repairs	10 00
	29.	B. B. Martin Co., lumber bills	6 32
ne	1.	Seminary electric light bill, May, 1905...	3 38
	1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to July 1, 1905...	175 00
	1.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to July 1, '05	175 00
	1.	Rev. C. Noss, salary to July 1, 1905.....	175 00
	1.	John M. Chambers, salary for June, 1905	50 00
	1.	John B. Roth, Treas., salary, July 1, '05..	75 00
	16.	Intelligencer, bill of printing	3 00
	22.	Seminary ad. in Oriflamme, 1905.....	6 00
	27.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary for July and August, 1905	100 00
ly	1.	Sprecher & Ganns bill	9 00
	1.	Seminary electric light bill, June, 1905...	1 00
	1.	P. O. box rent	1 00
	1.	Stamps and envelopes	1 50
	6.	Penna. Soap Co. bill	1 00
	8.	The Intelligencer bill	1 50

10.	Telephone Co., bill to Oct. 1, 1905.....	9 00
12.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1905..	375 00
12.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, '05	375 00
12.	Rev. C. Noss, salary to Oct. 1, 1905.....	375 00
12.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary Oct. 1, '05..	50 00
Aug. 2.	Seminary electric light bill, July 31, 1905..	1 00
2.	B. B. Martin Co., coal bill, lumber.....	2 50
2.	Baumgardner Coal Co., coal bill, July 31, 1905	216 00
2.	Water bill by meter, Dr. Bowman.....	85
2.	Fisher & Powell bill, Dr. Bowman.....	75
3.	James Smithgall, on account of salary...	75 00
12.	Sundry Seminary expenses, per voucher..	100 00
18.	John L. Arnold's bill of repairs.....	86 19
19.	John B. Roth, Treas., on account.....	60 00
21.	W. H. Guthrie, painting Seminary bldg...	250 00
Sept. 4.	Seminary electric light bill, Aug., 1905....	1 00
4.	A. M. Deichler, bill to date	3 25
12.	P. O. Stamps for Seminary use.....	5 00
13.	Treasurer, salary in full to Oct. 1, 1905...	65 00
13.	W. U. Hensel, att'y, in full to Oct. 1, '05..	50 00
13.	Lancaster Trust Co., security to Oct. 21, '05	100 00
	By amount of interest on—	
13.	Henry Wirt Alcove Fund to Oct. 1, 1905..	45 00
13.	Louis E. Scriver Alcove Fund, to Oct. 1, 1905	45 00
13.	Jacob Forney Alcove Fund, to Oct. 1, 1905	45 00
13.	Seminary Library Fund, to Oct. 1, 1905..	66 98
13.	J. Y. Dietz Library Fund, to Oct. 1, 1905.	90 00
13.	Smaltz Fund, to Oct. 1, 1905.....	250 00
13.	Klopp Legacy, to Oct. 1, 1905	40 00
14.	James Smithgall, in full to Oct. 1, 1905..	170 00
		<hr/> 17,251 75

LIBRARY FUND OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

DR.

1904.		
Oct. 1.	To amount of Fund—principal.....	\$ 1,819 96
1905.		
Jan. 5.	For amount of bequest received from ex- ecutors of Rev. J. O. Miller, D.D.....	\$ 500 00
	Less State tax and recording fees.....	26 60
		<hr/> 473 40
1905.		
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund	\$ 2,293 36

DR.

Mch. 31.	For interest on coal bond to Apr. 1, 1905..	\$ 15 00
Apr. 4.	For interest on note to Apr. 1, 1905.....	2 50
Sept. 13.	For interest on Fund to Oct. 1, 1905.....	66 98
13.	For interest on coal bond to Oct. 1, 1905..	15 00
		<hr/> 99 48

CR.

1904.		
Oct. 1.	By balance due treasurer of Fund.....	\$ 46 47
8.	By bill paid per voucher.....	7 20
Dec. 9.	" "	2 00
13.	" "	5 85

105.				
20.	"	"	5 75
13.	"	"	5 27
18.	"	"	19 50
2.	"	"	2 46
21.	"	"	2 25
17.	"	"	8 00
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				104 75

105.	1.	Amount Dr. brought down.....	99 48
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		Balance due Treasurer of Fund.....	\$ 5 27

SMALTZ FUND ACCOUNT, FOR BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

Principal is\$ 5,000 00

Dr.

105.	1.	For interest on Fund to date.....	\$ 250 00
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Cr.

105.	13.	By interest paid John Hertzler, Treas. of Beneficiary Board	250 00
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WILLIAM A. WILLST FUND.

105.	1.	Endowment	\$ 833 33
		Interest on this Fund accounted for in current expense account of Theological Seminary	41 66

SCHAFF PRIZE FUND IN CHURCH HISTORY.

105.	1.	Amount of principal of Fund is.....	\$ 2,000 75
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Dr.

104.	8.	For balance due Fund.....	\$ 3 31
105.	8.	For interest on same to date.....	94 20
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			97 51

Cr.

105.	8.	By amount paid prize, per award of com. to C. E. Myers	\$ 100 00
		Express charge and purse	1 00
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			101 00
		Amount Dr. brought down	97 51
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105.	8.	Amount due Treasurer of Fund.....	3 49

SEMINARY CLASS '92.

104.	8.	Principal	\$ 486 68
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Dr.

105.	8.	For interest on bond to date.....	\$ 24 15
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52

CR.

May 8.	By amount paid Mr. Buchheit, per award of Com.	\$20 00	
	Charges paid	50	
		<u>20 50</u>	
	Balance added to principal.....		<u>3 65</u>
May 8.	Amount of principal May 8, 1905.....	\$	490 33

JACOB Y. DIETZ PRIZE FUND.

Principal\$ 2,000 00

DR.

1905 May 2.	For interest on Fund to Apr. 1, 1905.....	\$	100 00
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CR.

May 2.	By award of com. to Mr. Buchheit.....	\$	60 00
	By Mr. Eyler	40 00	
		<u>100 00</u>	

JACOB L. RIEGEL ENDOWMENT FUND.

Amount of Fund\$15,680 00

1905. Oct. 1.	All interest on this Fund is accounted for in the Treasurer's account of current expenses of the Theological Seminary to Oct. 1, 1905.
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JACOB FORNEY SEMINARY ALCOVE FUND.

Amount of Fund\$ 1,000 00

1904.

DR.

Oct. 1.	For amount balance due Fund.....	\$	51 27
1905. Sept. 13.	For interest due to Oct. 1, 1905.....	45 00	
		<u>96 27</u>	

CR.

Oct. 28.	By bill paid per voucher.....	\$	8 00
1905. Feb. 18.	" "	8 00	
Mch. 20.	" "	14 50	
		<u>30 50</u>	
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund	\$	65 77

ANDREW KEISER AND CATHARINE W. SCHRIVER LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

Amount of Fund\$ 1,000 00

DR.

1904. Oct. 1.	For amount balance due Fund	\$	79 68
1905. Oct. 1.	For interest to Oct. 1, 1905.....	45 00	
		<u>124 68</u>	

53

CR.

1905.				
Nov. 5.	By Bill paid per voucher.....	\$	5 46	
1905.				
Mch. 20.	" "		5 65	
			<u> </u>	11 11
1905.				
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund	\$	113 57	

HENRY WIRT SEMINARY ALCOVE FUND.

1905.				
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund	\$	1,000 00	

DR.

1904.				
Oct. 1.	For balance due Fund.....	\$	59 19	
1905.				
Oct. 1.	For interest to date		45 00	
			<u> </u>	\$ 104 19

CR.

1905.				
Mch. 20.	By bill paid per voucher.....	\$	4 70	
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1905.				
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund	\$	99 49	

JACOB Y. DIETZ LIBRARY FUND.

1904.				
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund	\$	4,000 00	

DR.

1905.	For amount balance due Fund.....	\$	100 00	
May 1.	For interest to April 1, 1905.....		180 00	
Sept. 13.	For interest to Oct. 1, 1905.....		90 00	
			<u> </u>	\$ 370 00

CR.

Oct. 18.	By Bill paid per voucher....	\$	4 05	
1905.				
Mch. 24.	" "		42 00	
May 15.	" "		2 00	
15.	" "		70 00	
			<u> </u>	118 05

1905.				
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund	\$	251 95	

SEMINARY CLASS '94 ALCOVE FUND.

1904.				
July 1.	Amount of notes placed in hands of Seminary Treasurer for collection	\$	981 00	

1905.				
Oct. 1.	Notes paid to date	\$	563 00	
	Notes unpaid to date		418 00	
			<u> </u>	981 00
	Amount of notes paid, brought down	\$	563 00	
	Amount of interest in hands of Treasurer as credit on Fund		132 10	
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1905.	
Oct.	i. Total cash in hand\$ 695 10

APPEL LOT ON JAMES STREET.

1904.
Oct. 10. Price paid for same\$ 5,750 00

DR.

Dec. 19.	Paid on account	\$1,000 00
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1905.		
Feb. 17.	Paid in full and deed	4,750 00
		<u>5,750 00</u>

CR.

May 11.	By cash paid on same by Pittsburgh Synod.....	350 00
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		\$ 5,400 00

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AID FUND.

DR.

For amount received from—

1904.			
Oct. 18.	Treasurer of Potomac Synod\$	200 00
Oct. 19.	Treasurer of Eastern Synod	.....	163 70
Oct. 22.	Treasurer of Eastern Synod	.....	94 00

1905.		
Jan.	2.	Treasurer of Eastern Synod 110 60
Mch.	22.	Treasurer of Pittsburgh Synod 325 00
	24.	Treasurer of Eastern Synod 170 35
May	6.	Rev. H. J. Hillegas, Potomac..... 10 10
	10.	Treasurer of Potomac Synod 150 00
	25.	George Hill, Treas. E. Susq. Classis..... 98 71
June	5.	Treasurer of Pittsburgh Synod 300 00
	6.	Treasurer of Eastern Synod 650 02
Sept.	16.	Treasurer of Potomac Synod 450 00
	16.	Treasurer of Eastern Synod 96 23

CR.

1905.

Oct. 1. By amount paid interest on Funds as follows:

On \$8,150 97 due Seminary Endowment Fund,

On 763 00 due James Street lot,

On 775 00 due Evans lot,

On 1,391 30 due janitor's house,

On 5,750 00 due Appel lot,

\$16,830 27 697 75

Balance due Aid Fund\$ 2,120 00

1905.		
Sept. 18.	Balance due Aid Fund, charged to Treasurer as income	\$ 2,120 96

STATEMENT OF ALL FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY TO OCTOBER 1, 1905.

	Amount of Endowment Fund, general..	\$96,131 29	
July 6.	Amount received from Wilhelm estate per J. W. B. Bausman, Treasurer of F. and M. College	302 54	
		<hr/>	\$ 96,433 83
	Endowment Fund—J. Riegel, special....	\$15,680 00	
	Endowment Fund—W. A. Wilt, special.	833 33	
		<hr/>	\$112,947 16
	Library Fund.....	\$ 2,293 36	
	Smaltz Fund	5,000 00	
	Class '92 Prize Fund	490 33	
	Schaff Prize Fund	2,000 75	
	Jacob Forney Alcove Fund	1,000 00	
	Henry Wirt Alcove Fund	1,000 00	
	A. Keiser and C. W. Schriver Fund....	1,000 00	
	Seminary Class '94 Alcove Fund.....	981 00	
	J. Y. Dietz Library Fund	4,000 00	
	J. Y. Dietz Prize Fund	2,000 00	
	Pittsburg Synod Endowment Fund.....	30,500 00	
		<hr/>	\$163,212 60.

PITTSBURGH SYNOD ENDOWMENT FUND.

1905.
Oct. 1. Amount of Fund\$30,500 00
Dr.

1905.
Oct. 1. For interest received on same to Oct. 1, 1905.....\$ 1,830 00
Cr.

1905.
Oct. 1. By amount paid Rev. Dr. John C. Bowman, Pitts-
burgh Synod Professor, per vouchers..... 1,830 00
Respectfully submitted,

JOHN B. ROTH,

*Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the
United States.*

Lancaster, Pa., October 2, 1905.

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Board to examine the several accounts of the Theological Seminary as presented by the Treasurer, respectfully report that we have attended to the duty assigned us and find them correct.

JOHN D. SKILES,
JOHN HERTZLER.

Lancaster, Pa., October 9, 1905.

(e) Report of the Committee on Current Expenses and Increased Endowment of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

To the Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: Your committee on current expenses and further endowment of the Theological Seminary, appointed to act with similar committees as named in the body of our report, respectfully beg leave to report as follows:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Joint Committee of the Eastern, Pittsburgh and Potomac Synods, appointed a year ago, at the request of the Board of Visitors and the Board of Trustees of the Seminary and the Eastern Synod, to co-operate with these bodies in an effort to increase the endowment of the Seminary, met at the call of the Rev. C. B. Schneder, Chairman of the Committee of the Eastern Synod, in the Reading Room of the Seminary Building at Lancaster, Pa., January 12th, 1905, all the Synods concerned and the Faculty, the Board of Visitors and the Board of Trustees being represented.

The committee organized by the election of Rev. C. B. Schneder, Chairman, and Rev. E. R. Deatruck, Secretary.

After long and careful consideration, and a full interchange of views, a sub-committee, consisting of Revs. D. B. Lady, D.D., H. H. Ranck and E. R. Deatruck, was appointed to formulate the views of the meeting, and report the next morning. At the meeting on the 13th, the report of this sub-committee was presented, discussed, and, with slight modifications, adopted, and made the action of the Joint Committee and other bodies represented. It is hereby presented to the Synods interested:

WHEREAS, We have learned that for a number of years the income of the Seminary from invested funds, has not been sufficient to meet current expenses; and that the Board of Trustees has been obliged to borrow considerable sums from time to time; and that to meet in part these deficits and interest charges, the Synods have been raising money year by year by apportionment; and that these apportionments have been steadily increasing until they have become onerous; that the apportionments have not been fully paid; and that the needs of the Seminary are constantly increasing; we recommend the following action:

Resolved, 1, That for the present the apportionment for the Seminary be continued, and that it be so adjusted by the Synods and Classes that the whole amount asked for by the Trustees be secured.

Resolved, 2, That for debts already incurred, for present requirements and for immediate needs the sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) be raised; and that for prospective

demands of the Seminary an additional sum of seventy-five thousand dollars (\$75,000) be secured.

Resolved, 3, That the matter of raising these funds be committed, so far as the territory of the Eastern Synod is concerned, to Rev. Prof. G. W. Richards, D.D., together with such help as that Synod may provide; to Rev. Prof. J. C. Bowman, D.D., in the territory of the Pittsburgh Synod; and to Rev. Prof. W. C. Schaeffer, D.D., in the territory of the Synod of the Potomac, under like conditions.

Resolved, 4, That in the effort to secure these funds, persons of means be first challenged, and that this plan be then followed, if necessary, by a general canvass.

The expenses of your committee are as follows:

C. B. Schneder	\$5 00
Henry H. Ranck	5 00
Wilson F. More	5 00
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Total	\$15 00

Respectfully submitted,
C. B. SCHNEDER,
HENRY H. RANCK,
WILSON F. MORE.

(f) Report of the Faculty of the Eastern Theological Seminary to the Eastern Synod.

DEAR BRETHREN: The Eastern, Pittsburg and Potomac Synods, at their last annual meetings, appointed committees to meet jointly and consider the general needs of the Theological Seminary. These committees met at Lancaster in January, 1905, and referred their unanimous counsel and judgment to the Faculty of the Seminary, with the request that they organize, and, so far as possible, carry into effect a movement looking toward the increase of students for the ministry, and the larger endowment of the Seminary.

The Board of Visitors and the Board of Trustees in joint session, last May, reiterated and confirmed the counsel and action of the Synodical committees.

In pursuance of the foregoing action on the part of the Synodical Committees and the Boards of the Seminary, the Faculty at once began to organize the forward movement in behalf of the Seminary.

Committees were appointed to represent the several Classes of the three Synods, who shall co-operate with the Seminary Faculty in their effort to increase the number of students for the ministry, and to secure funds for the adequate endowment of the Seminary.

Under the instructions of the Synodical committees, a leaflet on "Seminary Day" was prepared by a committee of the Faculty, and copies were sent to all the ministers of the three Synods.

The Faculty recommend the issuance of a similar leaflet from year to year, with the view to keep before the mind of the ministry, people, and especially the young men of the Church, the great need of increasing the ranks of the Christian ministry. These leaflets should serve as a text for discussion on the floor of Synods and Classes and especially as an aid to enforce the counsel of pastors in their pulpit, catechetical and Sunday-school instruction.

With regard to the matter of making provision for the financial relief of the Seminary by liquidating the present indebtedness and by enlarging the endowment fund, so as to place the institution on a self-sustaining basis, the Faculty feel that much may be accomplished by the prompt co-operation of our ministry and people.

The members of the Faculty are willing to devote a just portion of their time and labor to this work; and have arranged to have one of their body spend a considerable part of the present year in the direct effort to enlist the help of our ministry and people. Already a very encouraging sum has been pledged by our ministry, and it is hoped that within the course of a few months fully \$25,000 will be pledged toward the increased endowment as an offering from the ministry alone.

Our ministry leading the way with such a spirit of devotion, liberality and self-sacrifice, we feel well assured that the friends of the Seminary among the laity will gladly follow their noble example.

The Faculty of the Seminary would kindly urge our ministry and people generally to hold themselves in readiness to fall promptly in line, with the view to consummate as soon as possible a movement which has been so favorably begun, and

which is so full of promise for our Theological Seminary and the various interests which it pre-eminently represents.

Respectfully submitted by a committee of the Faculty,

JOHN C. BOWMAN,
WM. C. SCHAEFFER,
GEORGE W. RICHARDS.

October 10, 1905.

(g) Report of the Board of Education.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

At the annual meeting held on May 9, 1905, the Board of Education of the Eastern Synod organized by the election of the following officers for the current year: President Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., Allentown, Pa.; Secretary, Rev. William F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. John Hertzler, Lancaster, Pa.

In the past year the Board aided eight students for the ministry, the appropriations aggregating \$1,100, and the Classes auxiliary to the Board aided students, as follows: Lehigh, one; Tohickon, two; Reading, three; the appropriations aggregating \$645.00; making the total number of students aided, fourteen, and the total amount of the appropriations, \$1,745.

In the current year the Board has voted aid to nine students, the appropriations aggregating \$1,250. The Classes have voted aid to students, as follows: Lancaster, one; Tohickon, three; Reading, three; the appropriations aggregating \$775; making the total appropriations \$2,025. Since these appropriations were voted, two students aided by the Board have been given permission by the Faculty of the Seminary to teach and pursue their studies *in absentia*, and one student will remain at home and complete his studies in preparation for college. These three will not need the appropriations voted for this year. One of the students aided by the Classis of Tohickon, owing to a change in his situation, is able to continue his studies without the appropriation voted him.

Annually the number of applications for aid is increasing.

Within the year former students for the ministry refunded moneys as follows: Rev. John K. Adams, \$100; Rev. Edwin

D. Bright, \$254.17; and Rev. Oscar P. Steckel, \$50; total, \$404.17. This includes \$129.17 which does not appear in the treasurer's report, and does not include \$150 which appears in his report, but was in the Secretary's report of last year, these amounts having been paid after the Treasurer's report was presented.

On request, after ten years of service, the Board cancelled and surrendered the obligation of a former student for \$600.

The annual report of the Treasurer for the year beginning May 3, 1904, and ending May 8, 1905, with the report of the Auditing Committee, is herewith presented.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. LICHLITER,

Secretary of the Board of Education.

Lancaster, Pa., October 24, 1905.

Treasurer's Annual Report to the Board of Education.

RECEIPTS.

Balance	\$ 293 77	
Interest and Dividends on Investments.....	1,075 50	
Offerings of Churches:		
Per Classis of Philadelphia	\$ 55 20	
Christ Church, Philadelphia	45 23	
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Refunded:		
Prof. Edwin M. Hartman	\$150 00	
Rev. Edwin D. Bright	125 00	
Rev. Oscar P. Steckel	50 00	
Rev. John K. Adams	100 00	
	<hr/>	425 00
Contribution, Rev. W. C. Sykes.....	10 00	
Busch Mortgage and Interest	552 20	
Bond paid	1,000 00	
Received from Classes:		
Classis of Lehigh	\$120 00	
Classis of Tohickon	150 00	
Classis of Reading	225 00	
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	<hr/>	\$3,951 90

DISBURSEMENTS.

To students aided by the Board.....	\$1,075 00	
To students aided by Classis of Lehigh.....	\$120 00	
To students aided by Classis of Tohickon.....	300 00	
To students aided by Classis of Reading.....	275 00	
	<hr/>	695 00
H. C. Miller, compensation and postage.....	\$ 35 30	

Wm. F. Lichliter, salary and postage.....	52 96	
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		\$1,848 26
Balance	2,103 64	
	<hr/>	\$3,951 90
To Balance		\$2,103 64

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HERTZLER, *Treasurer.*

Lancaster, Pa., May 8, 1905.

We, the undersigned, have examined the accounts for the year just closed, and have found them correct, also examined the securities and found them correct as listed.

NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER,
S. G. WAGNER,
Auditing Committee.

Attest: WM. F. LICHLITER, *Secretary.*
Lancaster, Pa., October 24, 1905.

II. Report of the Standing Committee on Franklin and Marshall College and the Eastern Theological Seminary.

The report on College and Seminary was presented on Friday, the third day of the sessions, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Franklin and Marshall College and Eastern Theological Seminary respectfully begs leave to report that there were referred to us:

1. The report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.
2. The catalogue of Franklin and Marshall College.
3. The report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.
4. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.
5. The annual report of the Treasurer of the Theological Seminary.
6. The report of the Committee on Current Expenses and Increased Endowment of the Theological Seminary.
7. The report of the Faculty of the Theological Seminary.
8. The report of the Secretary of the Board of Education of this Synod.
9. The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Education.

Items 4 and 7 from the report of the Committee on Overtures were also referred to your Committee on College and Seminary.

A careful reading of all these reports prompts your committee to offer for the consideration and action of this Synod the following:

(a) FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE.

From the President's report we learn that the College has had a prosperous year,—in some respects the most prosperous year in its history. We note with much satisfaction that the number of new students enrolled at the opening of the year almost equals the entire enrollment of some years ago. We are also glad to note that the College Chapel has been renovated and beautified; that the work of instruction has been faithfully carried forward; that several of the professors were privileged to enjoy foreign travel; that, with few exceptions, good order was maintained; that additions to the Museum were made; and that the finances are in a very much better condition than they were during several years past.

We also learn from the report that a change of policy has been adopted in reference to the conferring of degrees, and that by reason of resignation there is one new teacher in the present teaching force of the College.

Very encouraging features of this report are those parts which relate to the splendid offer of Mr. Andrew Carnegie to contribute \$37,500 for the erection of a new Academy building, and for the purchase of a tract of land, west of the College grounds, for \$32,000.

In view of the foregoing, we recommend resolutions as follows:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod heartily rejoices in the present prosperity and the encouraging outlook of the College.

2. *Resolved*, That record be and hereby is made of Synod's gratitude to God for the zeal, the ability, and the devotion, of the honored President and members of the Faculty, the Board of Trustees, and the friends of the College in general, through whom the present prosperity and efficiency have been attained.

Resolved, That Synod is gratefully appreciative of the offer of Mr. Andrew Carnegie, and that the action of the Board of Trustees in accepting this offer meets with its approval.

Resolved, That Synod hereby approves of the purchase of the tract of land west of the College grounds.

Resolved, That, because of the widening horizon of outlook; because of the lengthening reach of influence; and because of pressing needs which in the main are resultant from rapid growth, this Synod hereby urges upon pastors and members, through the respective Classes, hearty co-operation with the College's representatives in completing the work, be it at the Jubilee, of securing \$150,000 for increased endowment; and further that Synod commend the cause of the larger endowment, with the erection of a new building for the same.

Resolved, That, because of the increasing emphasis, which, in this utilitarian age, needs to be laid upon the importance of securing liberal culture,—a training that makes men broad and strong—this Synod hereby requests pastors and others, through the Classes, to encourage young men to enter the ranks of our College as students.

Your committee recommends the constituting of an Advisory Council, to consist of twelve members, one to be chosen from each Classis, whose duty it shall be to render assistance to the representatives of the College as may be required in the prosecution of their work.

(b) EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The reports referring to the work and condition of this, the best of our Theological Seminaries, evidence an eventful year.

The new professors have been inaugurated and have their work well in hand; the students have been diligent in study; the "Swander Memorial Fund" has been increased by ten thousand dollars; the Board of Trustees has purchased two lots, and steps have been taken preliminary to the erection of professors' houses, and to the increase of the endowment of the Seminary.

We recommend the following:

1. *Resolved*, That Synod is deeply grateful to God for His manifest blessing upon this institution of the Church.

2. *Resolved*, That the Synod rejoices to learn of the renewed evidence of kindness manifested toward the Seminary by Rev. Dr. J. I. Swander and wife in their noble gift of ten thousand dollars additional to their former gift, and that the thanks of this body be and hereby are extended to the generous donors.

3. *Resolved*, That this Synod cordially consents to the proposal of the Board of Visitors, and hereby so modifies the action taken at the annual meeting in 1900, as to approve of the change of the Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander Lectureship, into the Sarah Ellen and Nevin Ambrose Swander Professorship of Systematic Theology.

4. *Resolved*, That the Synod approves the appointment of Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., to the Chair of Associate Professor of Systematic Theology under the conditions proposed, and with the assignment of duties and remuneration proposed by the Faculty and Board of Visitors.

5. *Resolved*, That Synod hereby approves of the plan for securing increased endowment and rejoices in the success already attained under the direction and by the efforts of the Faculty; and that it urges hearty co-operation in this work along the lines agreed upon by the joint committees of the Synods and the institution.

6. *Resolved*, That Synod approves of the action of the Board of Trustees in the purchase of additional ground for the use of the Seminary.

7. *Resolved*, That Synod comply with the request to appoint some one as member of a Building Committee, which shall superintend the construction of two professors' houses. We recommend for this position Elder J. B. Fricker, of Reading.

8. *Resolved*, That Synod comply with the recommendation of the Board of Trustees for the provision of the interest on the money to be loaned for the erection of the proposed houses for the professors.

9. *Resolved*, That Synod notes with sorrow the death of two faithful members of the Board of Trustees, Mr. George

G. Heilman and Mr. Jacob H. Shriver, and that it joins the Board in making record of the eminent services of these departed brethren.

10. *Resolved*, That in compliance with the request contained in the communication referred to your committee under item 7, Overtures, this Synod so change its action designating the first Sunday of November as Seminary Day, as to designate the first Sunday of September for this purpose.

11. *Resolved*, That Synod approves of the publication and distribution of leaflets for Seminary Day, said leaflets to be published under the direction of the Faculty of the Seminary.

12. *Resolved*, That Synod recognize anew the importance of realizing the full amount apportioned each year for Seminary Aid and therefore urges upon the respective Classes the perfecting of such arrangements as may secure the full amount apportioned.

13. *Resolved*, That, because of the great need of more ministers in our Church, and because so few young men are entering our Theological Seminaries, Synod requests the Classes to urge upon the pastors, as strongly as possible, the importance of impressing upon boys and young men the great opportunities for service offered to able, consecrated young men in the Christian ministry.

14. *Resolved*, That \$1,800 be apportioned upon the Classes for Seminary Aid, and \$375 for Teacher of Elocution. We also recommend the granting of orders for amounts due members of the special committee on current expenses and increased endowment of the Seminary.

The items 4 and 7, from Overtures, are covered in the foregoing report.

(c) THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

From the reports presented we learn that this Board has been faithful to its trust; that during the year \$425 was repaid by former students; that three of the Classes of this Synod have carried on their beneficiary work through this Board; that fourteen students were aided; and that there is a balance in the Treasurer's hands of \$2,103.64, over against a balance of \$293.77 one year ago.

Your committee recommends that Synod rejoices in the successful work of the Board of Education; that its work be hereby commended to the Classes, and through them to congregations and members who may be in a position to put means into the hands of the Board for larger work.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SCHNEDER,

D. K. LAUDENSLAGER, W. M. FOCHT,
ELMER S. NOLL, A. A. HELLER.

Messrs. B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., and John D. Skyles were re-elected members of the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College.

A. J. Brumbach was elected as a member of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

In response to the 7th item in the report on Franklin and Marshall College, the President appointed the following members as an Advisory Council, to assist in the work in behalf of this institution:

Jacob G. Rupp, A. B. Bartholomew, S. P. Brown, W. F. DeLong, James M. Runkle, Calvin M. DeLong, A. S. Dechant, Elmer S. Noll, Simon Sipple, George W. Hartman, S. E. Stofflet, Thomas H. Leinbach.

Report of Special Committee to Attend to the Inauguration of Rev. Christopher Noss.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee appointed at the special meeting of Synod, at Reading, Pa., September 4, 1904, for the purpose of installing Rev. Christopher Noss as Professor of Systematic Theology in the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., beg leave to report as follows:

Your committee entered into correspondence with a similar committee from the Potomac Synod appointed to install the Rev. William C. Schaeffer, D.D., as Professor of New Testament Exegesis in the above-named Seminary, and arranged for the inauguration of both these professors on one and the same day.

The installation took place in Santee Hall, Theological Seminary, at Lancaster, Pa., on Friday, January 13, 1905. Rev. Noss was installed at half-past two o'clock in the afternoon. All the members of the committee took part in the program. The installation of Dr. Schaeffer took place in the evening at half-past seven o'clock. During the intermission a luncheon was served in the basement, when greetings were brought from various institutions and Boards of the Church.

A full order of service, together with the addresses of the newly installed professors, including also that of the Pittsburgh Synod's inaugural service of Prof. John C. Bowman, D.D., as Professor of Practical Theology, was subsequently published, a copy of which is herewith presented to the Synod.

The expense incurred through the publication of these services amounted to \$258.65.

According to the usual mode of division, the Eastern Synod is expected to pay one-half, the Potomac Synod one-third, and the Pittsburgh Synod one-sixth of this amount.

The Eastern Synod's amount, therefore, is \$129.32; the expense of the committee is \$18.50; a total of \$147.82.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. SCHAEFFER,

E. N. KREMER,

R. L. GERHART,

J. G. NOSS,

JNO. PH. STEIN.

The foregoing report was adopted, and an order was granted on the Treasurer for the payment of the expenses incurred by the Committee on Installation.

The overture sent to Synod that the first Sunday in September, instead of the first Sunday in November, be observed annually as Seminary Day, was granted.

ATTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

I Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: We lay before you our annual report, with gratitude to God for the prosperity of the work under our care during the year.

Nearly all of the thirty-six missions in the two Eastern Synods have shown encouraging growth, and it is a great pleasure to add that three of them, namely, Fourth Church, Harrisburg, Pa., Christ Church, Norristown, Pa., and Christ Church, Baltimore, Md., respectively under pastors M. H. Sangree, Benoni Bates, and G. R. Poetter, became self-supporting April 1st, 1905. The spirit of liberality, shown both in the self-help and in the benevolence of all these missions, is worthy of note.

During the year the Board lost two of its members, President C. A. Santee and Rev. T. J. Hacker, D.D., by their removal from the bounds of their respective Synods. To complete the organization the Executive Council selected Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D.D., President; and the Board now is as follows:

President, Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D.D.; Secretary, Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D.; Treasurer, Elder J. J. Nissley, Hummelstown, Pa.; Rev. G. A. Schwedes, Rev. C. B. Schneder, Elder C. G. Schaeffer, Hazleton, Pa.; Rev. C. W. Levan, Rev. N. H. Skyles, Rev. J. D. Miller, Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Rev. E. R. Deatruck, B.D., Rev. L. E. Coblentz.

The first three and the last three are the Executive Council.

The Eastern Synod will note that the term of all its members expires April 1st, 1906.

The Synod of the Potomac will note that the terms of Rev. E. R. Deatruck and Rev. C. W. Levan expire April 1st, 1906, and that a vacancy exists by the removal of Rev. C. A. Santee.

In presenting the report of Treasurer J. J. Nissley as a part of this report we take pleasure in calling attention to the fact that the assets of the Board now amount to over \$61,000, nearly all of which is invested in the missions of the church on first mortgage.

The mission in York, Pa., under Rev. R. L. Bair, was divided by Zion's Classis, he retaining St. Stephen's, and Rev. C. E. Meyers becoming pastor of Emmanuel's; and the following missions have been enrolled:

Bethany, York, Pa., under Rev. G. S. Sorber.

Faith or Quickel's, York, Pa., under Rev. A. C. Ohl.

Dallastown, Pa., under Rev. J. W. Bell.

The Board regrets to report that under the influence of the Reformed Church of Hungary six of our Hungarian mission-

aries and the congregations and one without his congregation, have withdrawn to enter the American Hungarian Classis, organized Oct. 7th, 1904, namely:

Rev. John Ujlaky, Mt. Carmel, Pa.

Rev. Zultan Kuthy, New York, N. Y.

Rev. Alexander Vajo, Woodbridge, N. J.

Rev. Elemer Kuthy, Passaic, N. J.

Rev. Ladislaus Bereczky, Phoenixville, Pa.

Rev. Earnest Komjathy, Bridgeport, Conn.

Rev. Julius Balogh, Pocahontas, Va.

This relates to the Eastern and the Potomac Synods. There were withdrawals also in the other Synods.

The General Board of Home Missions have elected Rev. Thomas M. Yundt general superintendent, with the missions of the Eastern and Potomac Synods under his special care for the present, and having created a new office, that of Church Building Fund Secretary, and transferred Superintendent A. C. Whitmer to it, the Synods will be asked to acquiesce in this change, and we recommend that they do so with this understanding that according to the compact of April, 1892, the Eastern and the Potomac Synods shall hereafter, as heretofore, nominate a superintendent for these Synods.

Your Board feeling that the Board of the General Synod had not only exceeded its rights, but also violated the compact which was made the basis of unification in 1892, in thus setting aside the nomination of Rev. A. C. Whitmer, unanimously made by both your reverend bodies a year ago, sent its president, Rev. Wm. C. Schaeffer, to the meeting of the Executive Committee of that Board at its meeting in Philadelphia on Oct. 4th, to bring the matter to the attention of said Board. In reply to his representations the Executive Committee of said Board took the following action, which we transmit to your reverend bodies for your information, and, inasmuch as it contains a reaffirmation of the Compact of 1892, for permant record on your minutes:

"Resolved, That the Secretary be directed to inform the Bi-Synodic Board that while we regret that there has been any misunderstanding in the case, we assure them that in placing over the missions of the Eastern and Potomac Synods a man

whom they had not nominated, this Board did not mean to violate the Compact of April, 1892, but was led to its action by unusual circumstances; and further, we assure the Bi-Synodic Board that we desire that hereafter as heretofore the Eastern and Potomac Synods shall nominate the candidate for Superintendent of their district.

"Again in response to the request of your Board that we instruct General Superintendent T. M. Yundt to stand in the same relation to the Bi-Synodic Board as Superintendent Whitmer has done in the past, the Board cordially accedes and begs to inform your reverend body that the General Superintendent has been instructed in accordance with your request. Thanking you for your splendid co-operation in the work of Home Missions, it is the prayer of the General Board that our relations may always be mutually helpful.

"By order of the Board,

"PAUL S. LEINBACH, *Secretary*.

"Given under the seal of the Board at Easton, Pa., Oct. 6th, 1905."

This Board hereby expresses its full confidence in the newly-appointed Superintendent, Rev. T. M. Yundt. We however lay before the Synods our conviction that the work pertaining to this territory, and which heretofore has been borne by our own superintendent, will be an unnecessary and heavy burden if placed upon the General Superintendent.

And since the General Board by its action given above regards the present arrangement as temporary, we suggest to the Synods the propriety of endeavoring to secure such a re-arrangement of the work of the General Board as to make Rev. T. M. Yundt General Superintendent, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer District Superintendent of the Eastern and Potomac Synods, with our Missions under his care.

The Catharine Trone and Richard Bernard Schmidt Church Building Fund has been completed by Rev. A. M. Schmidt.

The Rev. Dr. J. O. Miller Fund given by the will of Rev. J. O. Miller, D.D.

The Chas. A. Heim Fund given by the will of Miss Elizabeth G. Houck, of Frederick, Md.

The Jonas Deissinger Fund given by the will of Dr. Jonas Deissinger, of York, Pa., and the Major Sidney M. Finger Fund given by the will of Elder S. M. Finger, of Newton, N. C., have come out of these two Synods.

Also the Amityville Ladies' Aid Society Fund, of Amityville, Pa., the Matilda Hobach Focht Fund given by Mr. Wm. G. Focht, of Huntingdon, Pa., and the John E. Keen Fund given by Elder Daniel E. Keen and wife, of Hickory Corners, Pa.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. C. SCHAEFFER, *President.*

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary.*

II. Treasurer's Report.

John J. Nissley, Treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

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HOME MISSIONS.

From Eastern Synod.

Philadelphia Classis	\$1,806 89
Tohickon Classis	1,856 18
Goshenhoppen Classis	2,510 26
East Pennsylvania Classis	2,825 00
Lebanon Classis	1,901 52
Lancaster Classis	2,054 03
Schuylkill Classis	1,527 33
East Susquehanna Classis	1,595 14
West Susquehanna Classis	1,945 20
Lehigh Classis	895 00
Wyoming Classis	1,633 93
Reading Classis	3,732 71
	<hr/> \$24,283 19

From Synod of the Potomac.

Maryland Classis	\$3,189 08
Mercersburg Classis	956 28
Virginia Classis	300 00
Zion's Classis	400 34
Juniata Classis	1,150 00
Gettysburg Classis	350 00
North Carolina Classis	528 53
Carlisle Classis	986 46
	<hr/> \$ 7,860 69

From Miscellaneous Sources.

N. B. Schmidt, Woodstock, Va.....	\$ 100 00
Rev. F. A. Gast, D.D.....	10 00
Glade charge, Md.....	10 00

Hungarian Church, Bridgeport, Conn.....	10 00	
Interest Gerhart Fund.....	6 00	
Mrs. Amanda Wagner, interest on legacy.....	100 00	
Reiglesville (Pa.) congregation.....	48 58	
Reiglesville (Pa.) Sunday-school.....	96 41	
Nevin Boyer Fund, Reiglesville, Pa.....	5 00	
Zearfoss Fund.....	9 00	
Missionary Day, Hummelstown, Pa.....	8 31	
Sunday-school, Pavia.....	5 40	
Sexton and Hopewell.....	17 05	
Everett, Pa.....	10 50	
St. Clairsville.....	18 25	
Alexandria.....	6 00	
Huntingdon.....	18 55	
St. John's Sunday-school, Salisbury charge.....	20 00	
St. John's congregation, Salisbury charge.....	4 00	
Salem, Allentown.....	43 10	
Manns Choice.....	10 20	
St. John's, Lansdale.....	9 00	
Trinity, Altoona.....	15 80	
Salem, Harrisburg.....	31 57	
Zion's, Maytown.....	3 89	
Willow Street.....	7 12	
St. John's, Allentown.....	26 35	
Dunning's Creek.....	6 38	
St. Clairsville.....	7 40	
Missionary Society, Juniata Classis.....	8 25	
Martinsburg, Va.....	27 46	
Numedia charge.....	5 25	
St. John's, Milton, Pa.....	11 27	
St. Stephen's, West York, Pa.....	2 52	
Emmanuel's, East York, Pa.....	1 63	
Marion, Pa.....	11 74	
South Bethlehem.....	10 00	
White Deer, Kans.....	4 60	
White Pigeon, Mich.....	3 10	
St. Stephen's, Harrisonburg.....	5 00	
Fort Washington.....	47 44	
Calvary, Philadelphia.....	5 08	
	<u>\$</u>	807 20
		<u>\$32,951 08</u>

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board.....\$32,951 08

HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Maryland Classis.....	\$ 252 00	
Carlisle Classis.....	111 39	
Mercersburg Classis.....	170 00	
Zion's Classis.....	97 85	
Virginia Classis.....	102 00	
Potomac Synod.....	55 00	
Reformed congregation, Alexandria, Pa.....	5 00	
Eastern Synod.....	2,734 07	
	<u>\$</u>	3,527 31

HARBOR MISSION.

Classis	\$ 37 00	
Classis	11 99	
urg Classis	24 00	
assis	17 43	
Classis	11 00	
Synod	414 86	
	<u> </u>	\$ 516 28

GERMAN MISSIONS.

Classis	\$ 235 00	
urg Classis	105 00	
Classis	556 81	
Synod	72 40	
Synod	912 37	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1,881 58
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		\$ 5,925 17

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W. Stine, Treasurer General Board.....	\$ 5,925 17
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DESIGNATED MONEYS.

ans M. S., Cessna, Pa., for St. John's,	
isburg	\$ 10 00
llentown, Pa., for Messiah, Philadelphia....	10 00
l Church, Bath, Pa., for Messiah, Philada..	5 00
Creek, for Sioux City.....	2 00
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	\$ 27 00

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designated.....	\$ 27 00
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FOR CHURCH BUILDING.

n treasury, Sept. 30, 1904.....	\$ 529 83
hia Classis	\$ 204 03
Classis	558 00
Classis	340 21
quehanna Classis	237 93
Classis	184 00
l Classis	153 00
Classis	327 60
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	\$ 2,317 77

CHURCH-BUILDING FUNDS.

ed from General Treasury to increase the	
ville and Seraphine Dissler Fund to \$1,000..	\$ 176 72
ed from General Treasury to increase	
ora Boys Fund to \$1,000.....	176 72
. Miller, D.D., York, Pa.....	473 40
: Trone and Richard B. Schmidt.....	50 00
	<u> </u>
	\$ 876 84

LOANS REPAYED.

Faith, Salisbury, N. C.....	\$ 250 00
Board of Home Missions.....	1,000 00
St. Paul's, Roanoke, Va.....	45 00
Hungarian Church, Bridgeport, Conn.....	600 00
Grace, Allentown, Pa.....	200 00
Burlington, N. C.....	200 00
Reformed Church, South Norwalk, Conn.....	125 00
First, Steelton	35 00
N. C. Classis for Salisbury Mission note.....	20 00
Tioga Mission, Philadelphia.....	1,000 00
Hummelstown National Bank.....	3,000 00
Christ's, Baltimore, Md.....	500 00
Bethel, High Point, N. C.....	50 00
Hungarian, Phoenixville, Pa.....	500 00
First Church, High Point, N. C.....	25 00
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	\$ 7,550 00
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	\$11,274 44

DISBURSEMENTS.

Board of Home Missions.....	\$1,000 00
Christ's, West Hazleton, Pa.....	2,500 00
Christ's, Walnutport, Pa.....	500 00
Oak Lane, Philadelphia.....	4,000 00
Greensboro, N. C.....	800 00
C. M. Boush, Treasurer for Church Building.....	2,317 77
Balance in Treasury, Sept. 29, 1905.....	156 67
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	\$11,274 44

GENERAL TREASURY.

Balance in Treasury, Sept. 30, 1904.....	\$ 4,280 14
Maryland Classis	\$ 187 50
Zion's, Marietta	25 00
C. M. Boush, General Board.....	182 50
Messiah, Philadelphia	65 00
Mrs. C. A. Fremell.....	95 00
Dividends York Bank stock.....	46 88
Hungarian Church, Trenton.....	56 00
Mrs. Leah Sidell.....	225 00
St. Paul's, Roanoke.....	193 50
Grace, South Allentown.....	20 00
Grace, Baltimore, Md.	25 00
Christ's, Packerton	10 00
Tioga, Philadelphia	23 34
Hummelstown National Bank.....	112 50
Parryville, Pa.....	50 00
St. John's, Harrisburg.....	150 00
Bethel, High Point, N. C.....	8 70
Phoenixville, Pa.....	25 00
Walnutport, Pa.....	10 00
St. Mark's, Baltimore.....	58 00
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	\$ 5,849 06

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To increase the Benneville and Seraphine A. Dissler Fund to \$1,000.....	\$ 176 72
To increase the Leonora Boys Fund to \$1,000.....	176 72
Moving expenses, Rev. T. J. Hacker, D.D.....	50 00
Traveling expenses, Rev. N. H. Skyles.....	1 60
J. L. Yearick, 4 months supply at Lexington, N. C..	120 00
G. M. Smith, 4 months supply at Thomasville, N. C..	60 00
Traveling expenses of the Board, and postage.....	64 15
Salary of the Secretary.....	75 00
Salary of the Treasurer.....	75 00
Balance in Treasury, Sept. 29, 1905.....	5,049 87
	<hr/> \$ 5,849 06

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer*.

HUMMELSTOWN, PA., September 29, 1905.

We, the undersigned, have audited the above report, and find it correct.

ELLIS N. KREMER,
JAMES C. THOMPSON.

HARRISBURG, PA., October 2, 1905.

III. Annual Statement of the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: For a full statement of our Home Missionary work in all its parts and needs, we refer you to the Triennial Report found in the Minutes of the General Synod; and we wish here to lay before you only a few later actions of general interest.

In May last, the Board re-organized, and now stands as follows:

President, Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D.

Vice-President, Rev. C. E. Miller, D.D.

Secretary, Rev. P. S. Leinbach.

Treasurer, Elder G. W. Stein, Annville, Pa.

Treasurer of Church Building Funds and Attorney of the Board, Elder C. M. Boush, Meadville, Pa.

Rev. P. H. Dippel, D.D.

Elder F. G. Hobson, Collegeville, Pa.

Rev. E. Vornholt.

Rev. L. B. C. Lahr, D.D.

Rev. D. W. Ebbert, D.D.

Rev. M. O. Noll.

Elder H. F. Texter, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Rev. T. M. Yundt was elected General Superintendent, to whom was committed also the special oversight of the Missions in the Eastern and in the Potomac Synods.

Rev. D. S. Fouse, D.D., was made Superintendent in the Synod of the Interior.

Rev. D. A. Souders was continued as Superintendent in the Ohio Synod and the Pittsburgh Synod.

The office of Field Secretary was discontinued.

A new office was created, that of Church Building Fund Secretary, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer was transferred to it.

The Manual of the Board, adopted in 1899, has been revised to meet these new conditions.

The Board has established a central office in Philadelphia, Pa., and has united with the other Boards of the Church in preliminary steps toward securing a suitable building for the use of all these bodies.

By the resignation of Rev. Paul Sommerlatte, the position of Harbor Missionary became vacant October 1st, 1905. Rev. P. H. Land has been elected to that position, and provision has been made for the care of the work until he shall take charge.

With gratitude to God for the prosperity of the work, we heartily commend to your confidence and support the one hundred and eleven Missions on our present roll. We earnestly beg the Synod to give much time and discussion to this important work, and to send down to the Classes not only the apportionments, but also a strong appeal to them to raise the larger funds now needed for this growing interest.

Yours in the Lord,

E. R. ESCHBACH, *President.*

THOS. M. YUNDT, *Superintendent.*

Philadelphia, Pa., October 5th, 1905.

IV. Communication of Secretary of the General Synod's Board.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: At the meeting of the Board of Home Missions of General Synod, held in Pittsburg in July of this year, the following action was adopted, which is herewith brought to the attention of your reverend body. The action is in the form of a report from a special committee, which report was unanimously approved by the Board, all the members being

sent. The action reads thus, so far as it refers to your
rod:

four committee appointed to consider questions of organi-
ion and method in the operations of this Board, beg leave
report that two meetings have been held; the first during
sessions of the General Synod at Allentown, and another
preceding this session of the Board. We have considered
"Terms of Agreement" in the unification of our Home Mis-
sionary work (Min. Gen. Synod. Reading, pp. 73-77), the Rules
and Customs now in use by this Board and set forth in the
Manual, the recent action of the General Synod, and the
various suggestions of Classes and individuals.

In the judgment of your committee the work of the Board
for Home Missions is of supreme importance and we should
therefore welcome most heartily the suggestion of any plan or
method which will increase the efficiency of our operations. The
forces of evil are united and aggressive. The Church owes it
to herself, to the cause and to her Lord to conserve all her
power and apply it specifically and without duplication. Your
committee agrees fully with the sentiment expressed in the ac-
tion of the General Synod, and therefore recommends the fol-
lowing:

1. That Articles 13 and 14 of our Manual be so amended
as to give to the General Superintendent larger responsibility
and authority in the oversight and direction of the entire work;
2. He shall be the executive officer to whom everything shall
be reported and from whom all missionary facts and informa-
tion can be obtained; and that he shall seek especially to arouse
pastors and members of the whole Church to the necessity
of furnishing men and means to carry forward the Home Mis-
sionary work of the Church. As an aid in securing these ends,
your committee recommend that an office or headquarters be
provided and maintained in Philadelphia, and that a competent
geographer or clerk be provided for the General Superinten-
dent.

That while the General Superintendent will direct the
work in all the English Synods, for the present he shall have
special oversight of the Missions in the Eastern and Po-
litical Synods.

3. That the Rev. Thomas M. Yundt, of Reading, Pa., be elected to the office of General Superintendent.

4. That in view of the fact that the Rev. D. N. Dittmar has resigned as Field Secretary, this office be discontinued for the present.

5. That in view of the importance of the Church Building Funds in the work of this Board, an officer be appointed whose special duty it shall be to emphasize this phase of mission work, and who shall secure as many such funds as possible and perform such other duties as the Board may determine, said officer to be called Church Building Fund Secretary. Our present great work would be impossible without the Funds already in hand. It is doubtless known to all the members of this Board to whom the Church is especially indebted for what has been done in this direction. In view therefore of his experience and peculiar fitness for this position, we recommend that the Rev. A. C. Whitmer be elected Church Building Fund Secretary, and that we respectfully request the Eastern and Potomac Synods to acquiesce in this action.

By order of the Board of Home Missions,

PAUL S. LEINBACH, *Secretary*.

Given under the seal of the Board, at Easton, Pa., this 14th day of October, 1905.

**V. Communication from Secretary of the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions
To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:**

BRETHREN: The Board of Missions has directed me to transmit to your reverend body the following plan for more effective Home Missionary Meetings at the Synods and Classes, in the hope that it may receive your approval either in its present form or with such modifications as in your wisdom are desirable.

We suggest:

1st. That one or more of our home missionaries be assigned, by arrangement made between the Board and the Synods or Classes, to present the subject of Home Missions at the Home Missionary Meeting at as many of these bodies as practicable. These men being fresh from the mission fields,

be practical exponents of the work. And we also suggest the Board defray the expenses of these missionaries, while engaged, for traveling and pulpit supply.

2. That, in order to the proper appreciation of the reports of the Boards on Missions, the officers of this Board, missionaries, or some other competent persons be designated beforehand to speak on them that they may be thoroughly discussed and understood.

3. That, if feasible, during the sessions of the Synods and Classes, at such time as these bodies may determine upon, and table or open parliament on missions be held, presided by some properly qualified person, at which topics relating to mission work, such as missionary societies, missionary schools, mission study classes, etc., may be presented and discussed by the pastors, elders, and members of the Church present.

We suggest that the Superintendent of this Board, the pastor where the meetings are to be held, and the officers of Synods and the Classes co-operate in carrying this plan into effect.

Sincerely yours,

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary.*

Per E. R. D.

Harrisburg, Pa., October 10, 1905.

Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

to the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Since the report of the Board of Foreign Missions to the General Synod will be laid before your reverend body, I beg to refer you to the same for present status of our work in Japan and China.

I permit me in this brief statement to emphasize a few facts which I know will be of interest to you, and I believe will claim prayerful consideration.

The work of our Church in Japan and China is so well organized that it has before it the prospect of sure and speedy success.

Our Japan Mission has already been the means of bringing many souls to Jesus, the Light of the World. Experience

has proven that the training of native evangelists is the true basis for the evangelization of the nation. Our institutions at Sendai have given our Mission a position of influence in North Japan. To do well what has thus been auspiciously begun, the Japan Mission needs a lady teacher for the Miyagi Girls' School, a male teacher for the North Japan College, and, at least, two men for evangelistic work. These missionaries should be sent as soon as possible. Besides these additional workers, the immediate needs of the Japan work are:

1—Dormitory for North Japan College.....	\$ 5,000
2—Equipment for the Akita Station	5,000
3—Chapel at Fukushima	4,000
4—Kanda Church at Tokio	10,000

Efforts are being made to secure these additional workers, and the means for these additional buildings.

What shall we say of the great mass of immortal souls in China? Today the gates are wide open in this vast Empire. As you well know, our China Mission has been the recipient of God's most signal blessing. To carry on the work which the Lord has given us to do, we need about \$5,000 more money for building operations. At Chenchow we need a lady to begin a school for girls, and a man to open educational work for boys. At Changteh we need a family for evangelistic work and to form an important link between Yochow and Chenchow. At Yochow we need two men for the Boys' School, and two women for evangelistic work in the homes of the Chinese women.

In view of the wonderful opportunities for service in Japan and China, will not our Church awake to the fact that a solemn responsibility is upon her? May I not plead with every pastor and elder of the Synod to bring these urgent needs to the attention of the people?

The needs of our Missions are not so large that they can not be met if we all help a little.

The General Synod has made an appropriation of \$70,000 for each year, during the coming triennium, and it is to be hoped that each Synod will not only assume its proportionate share, but that all the pastors and people will be encouraged to pay the full apportionment. The Board will need every dollar

of it. That the brethren may know the actual needs of the work, I submit an approximate estimate for 1906.

Japan Mission	\$40,000
China Mission	15,000
Home Expenses	7,000
Emergency Calls	5,000
Total	\$67,000

The receipts for the past year, or from September, 1904-05, amount to \$80,474.29. Up to date the Emergency Fund amounts to about \$29,000. Of this amount \$2,300 remains unpaid. Will not the Synod in its wisdom devise some plan by which the Board may receive many large gifts from congregations and individuals within its bounds, so that the Board may be enabled to pay off its heavy debt?

The Board is anxious to raise a fund large enough among the young people to support two missionaries, one in China and one in Japan. This fund should amount to \$3,000. The shares are \$10.00, and it is desired that each Young People's Society in the Church shall take one or more shares. May we not hope for a favorable action which will help the Board to secure this amount?

Let me also call your attention to the support of the Sunday-school Missionary, Rev. H. K. Miller. For some reason, this fund has been growing less every year, until but one-third of his support was contributed by the schools in 1904. In view of the increasing demands in our work, we bespeak your commendation for this object.

Quite a number of copies of the History of the Japan Mission are still on hand, and I will be glad to supply pastors with the same for free distribution among their members.

If any pastor has not been the recipient of a copy of that excellent book, "The Pastor and Modern Missions," by Mr. John R. Mott, I shall be happy to supply him with the same, free of charge.

Believing that it will be of interest to the brethren, I herewith submit a statement of the receipts by Synods for Foreign Missions from September, 1904-05.

Eastern	\$29,650 05
Potomac	13,857 24
Pittsburgh	6,124 33

Ohio	7,120 45
Interior	1,363 67
Central	6,117 10
Northwest	3,551 97
German East	2,488 52
W. M. S. General Synod	9,286 97
Interest, etc.	493 99
Total	<u>\$80,474 29</u>

Deeply appreciating your interest in our work, and praying for the divine blessing upon your deliberations, I remain, in Christian bonds,

Very cordially yours,

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW, *Secretary.*

September 15th, 1905.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Missions.

The report of the Standing Committee on Missions was presented on Saturday during the morning session. It was duly considered and acted upon, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Standing Committee on Missions presents the following report:

There were referred to us:

1. A communication from the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States (General Synod's Board).
2. The annual statement of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States (General Synod's Board).
3. Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States (Bi-Synodic).
4. A communication from the Board of Missions (Bi-Synodic) relative to a plan for more effective Home Missionary Meetings at the Synods and Classes.
5. The annual statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.
6. A communication from the Potomac Synod, giving its recent action on the subject of Home Missions.

7. **Item 1, page 86, Minutes of General Synod, urging Synods and Classes to foster the work being done by the Woman's Missionary Society and commending to the whole Church the missionary work carried forward by the German Synods and by the Harbor missionary.**

From the first and second of these documents we learn that General Synod's Board of Home Missions re-organized in May last, and among other changes made in its plan of work elected Rev. Thomas M. Yundt General Superintendent, and, in violation of the "compact" of 1892, committed to him also the special oversight of the Missions of the Eastern and the Potomac Synods; that the former General Superintendent, Rev. Dr. D. S. Fouse, was made Superintendent in the Synod of the Interior, and that Rev. D. A. Souders was continued as Superintendent in the Ohio and the Pittsburgh Synods; that the office of Field Secretary was discontinued; that a new office was created, that of Church-Building Fund Secretary, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer was transferred to it; that the Manual of the Board adopted in 1899 has been revised to meet these new conditions; that the Board has established a central office in Philadelphia, Pa., and has united with the other Boards of the Church in preliminary steps toward securing a suitable building for the use of these bodies.

From the annual report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States (Bi-Synodic) we learn that, while said Board expresses its full confidence in the newly appointed Superintendent, Rev. Thos. M. Yundt, it, however expresses its conviction that the work pertaining to this territory comprised in the two Synods, the Eastern and the Potomac, and which heretofore has been borne by our own Superintendent, will be an unnecessary and heavy burden, if placed upon the General Superintendent, and suggests to the Eastern and Potomac Synods the importance of securing such a re-arrangement of the work of the General Board as to make Rev. T. M. Yundt General Superintendent, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer District Superintendent of the Eastern and Potomac Synods, with our missions under his care.

The annual statement of the Board of Foreign Missions sets forth the present status of our work in Japan and China, and the needs for its further prosecution.

In view of the information given in the aforementioned papers and items, we recommend for adoption the following:

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod hereby pledges unreserved support to the General Superintendent, the Rev. Thomas M. Yundt.

2. *Resolved*, That this Synod disapproves of the election of a superintendent of the Missions of the Eastern and the Potomac Synods who had not been nominated according to the terms of the compact of 1892 (page 40, item 6, Minutes of Eastern Synod, 1892), (Minutes of the General Synod, 1893, pages 74-77).

3. *Resolved*, That this Synod respectfully declares to the General Synod's Board of Home Missions that this Synod's conviction is that the missions in the field of the Eastern and the Potomac Synods require the undivided care of a district superintendent.

4. *Resolved*, That we insist on having our Superintendent of Missions for the territory of the two Synods, the Eastern and the Synod of the Potomac, within the next three years.

5. *Resolved*, That the Board of Missions (Bi-Synodic) be directed to confer at an early day with the Board of Missions of General Synod with a view to secure such modification of the compact of 1892 as will place the election of a Superintendent of Missions for the territory of the Eastern and Potomac Synods in the hands of the two Synods, to whom said Superintendent shall be responsible, through the Board of Missions, commonly called the Bi-Synodic Board.

6. *Resolved*, That we approve the creation of the office of Church-building Fund Secretary, and that we ask the Classes to encourage this important department of home missionary work.

7. *Resolved*, That we rejoice in the liberal support by the membership of our Church of the missionary work in Japan and China, and commend anew, through the Classes, to all our people this very important sphere of Christian activity in obedience to the Savior's command, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

8. *Resolved*, That we approve the plan suggested by the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions for more effective Home Missionary meetings at the Synods and Classes.

Respectfully submitted,

S. R. BRIDENBAUGH, *Chairman*

S. F. STORER,

FREDERICK C. SEITZ,

D. K. MILLER,

F. J. MOHR,

BOYS' SCHOOL AT YOCHOW HUNAN, CHINA.

The following action was adopted:

WHEREAS, Synod two years ago pledged \$4,000 for the Boys' School at Yochow Hunan, China, and

WHEREAS, Only \$1,040 of this amount has been paid into the Treasury of the Board of Foreign Missions, therefore

Resolved, That we hereby request the Classes to urge all pastors and elders to co-operate with Dr. Bartholomew, secretary of the Board, in securing the balance, \$3,000, by January 1, 1906.

**A PLEA IN THE INTEREST OF ST. JOHN'S CONGREGATION,
HARRISBURG, PA.**

In response to 14 item in Report on Overtures, a special committee was appointed consisting of Revs. H. M. J. Klein and C. D. Yost and Elder D. W. Miller, who presented the following report, which was adopted.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Special Committee to whom was referred the Overture coming from the pastor and elder of St. John's Reformed Mission, of Harrisburg, Pa., begs leave to present the following report:

Resolved, That Synod commends to its several Classes and through them to the congregations of this section of the Church, the St. John's Reformed Church, at Harrisburg, Pa., as a mission deserving and requiring immediate financial aid, and that said Classes through their ministers urge their respective congregations to permit the representative of this mission to present to them the need and the importance of completing the partially erected building in the Capital City of the Keystone State.

H. M. J. KLEIN, *Chairman*.

Revs. Drs. E. N. Kremer, S. R. Bridenbaugh, C. B. Schneder, Elders J. J. Nissley, C. G. Schaeffer and James T. Reber were elected members of the Board of Missions.

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

The annual report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was read and acted upon item by item, amended and finally adopted as a whole.

The following is the report with the action of Synod on the report appended:

I. Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Board of Trustees beg leave to present the following report:

At a meeting of the Board, held Oct. 23, 1905, at the office of Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach, Reading, Pa., the president was instructed to lay the following facts and recommendations before the Synod:

1. The Synod a year ago having failed to elect a treasurer, the Board appointed the former treasurer, Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, as treasurer for the current year.

2. Your Board rendered such assistance as was possible to the committee appointed by the Synod, to push the sale of the Minutes of Coetus in the respective Classes. This effort resulted in the sale of only eight copies so far as reported.

3. The treasurer paid \$700 interest on the \$14,000 bonded indebtedness of the Allentown College for Women.

4. The following Classes are in arrears on the Washington Memorial Reformed Church to the amount opposite their respective names:

Wyoming	\$138 67
Lehigh	710 17
Lancaster	39 88
Lebanon	603 94
Tobickon	176 27
Total	\$1,668 93

The treasurer received \$200 from Lehigh Classis too late to get into his report to the Synod.

During the year East Pennsylvania Classis and Schuylkill Classis paid their apportionment in full, together with the interest.

5. The Board had the treasurer's report audited and found it correct.

6. Your Board as at present constituted consists of the following persons:

D. Nicholas Schaeffer, Esq., term expires January 1, 1910; Rev. Charles E. Creitz, president, term expires January 1, 1909; Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, treasurer, term expires January 1, 1908; Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach, vice-president and secretary, term expires January 1, 1907; A. B. Dundore, M.D., term expires January 1, 1906.

We recommend the following:

1. That Synod apportion \$1,000.00 for contingent expenses. (The failure of the effort to sell the Minutes of Coetus, the publication of which involved the Synod in considerable expense, makes this apportionment necessary to bring the business of Synod back again to a cash basis.)

2. We suggest to Synod the advisability of reducing the price of the Minutes of Coetus from \$2.50 to \$1.50 per volume, and the continuation of the committee appointed a year ago, to further prosecute the sale of this publication.

3. That the Synod reiterate its action of a year ago in reference to the arrearages on the Washington Memorial Reformed Church.

4. That the Synod apportion \$700.00 to pay the interest on the bonded indebtedness of \$14,000.00 of the Allentown College for Women.

5. We recommend the following persons as suitable candidates for the vacancy which will occur in the Board on January 1, 1906: Rev. G. A. Schwedes, Bethlehem, Pa., and Elder J. J. Nissley, Hummelstown, Pa., one to be voted for.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CREITZ, *President*.

The several recommendations in the report of the Board of Trustees of Synod were adopted and the amounts specified in

the items 1 and 4 were referred to the Committee on Finance for apportionment.

In regard to item 5, the nominations of the Board of Trustees of Synod are in error. It is the intent of the charter that the proportion of three elders and two ministers on the Board be maintained, and is so declared by Synod, and as the vacancy to be filled is that of a minister, Rev. Cyrus J. Musser was nominated by Synod and the election made the order of the day on Friday at 2 P. M., when the ballot was taken and the election resulted in the choice of Rev. Cyrus J. Musser as the fifth member on the Board of Trustees of Synod.

Treasurer's Report.

S. M. Gingrich, Treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

CONTINGENT FUND, GENERAL SYNOD.

Dr.		
Goshenhoppen Classis	\$	92 00
East Pennsylvania Classis		38 00
	<u>\$</u>	130 00

Cr.		
Paid W. R. Barnhard, Treasurer.....	\$	130 00

CONTINGENT FUND, EASTERN SYNOD.

Dr.		
October 24, 1904, Balance in treasury.....	\$	61 90
Philadelphia Classis	\$	46 00
Tohickon Classis		88 00
Schuylkill Classis		66 00
Lebanon Classis		
Lancaster Classis		80 00
Lehigh Classis		80 00
Goshenhoppen Classis		45 00
East Pennsylvania Classis		115 00
Wyoming Classis		46 00
West Susquehanna Classis		66 00
East Susquehanna Classis		94 21
Reading Classis		40 00
		<u>766 21</u>
		\$828 11

Cr.		
Paid St. Stephen's, Perkasie, for use of church.....	\$	25 00
Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D., expense Board of Visitors		6 50
John P. Stein, salary as Stated Clerk.....		175 00
John P. Stein, expediting Minutes of Synod.....		28 25
Reformed Publication Board on account printing Minutes of Synod		353 67

Rev. W. H. Happel, expense Board of Visitors..	8 40	
Rev. T. J. Hacker, expense in Helfrich's appeal.....	20 00	
Rev. S. G. Wagner, expense Board of Visitors.....	2 50	
Expenses, volumes Dr. Rupp Lectures.....	8 00	
Rev. A. C. Truxal, expenses	9 00	
S. M. Gingrich, postage and expenses.....	7 65	
Hummelstown Nat. Bank, interest on loan.....	65 22	
Oct. 20, Balance in treasury.....	118 92	
		<u>\$ 828 11</u>

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis	\$1,701 35	
Tohickon Classes	1,702 58	
Lebanon Classis	1,901 52	
Reading Classis	2,213 21	
Wyoming Classis	1,831 89	
West Susquehanna Classis	2,456 60	
East Susquehanna Classis	1,595 14	
Goshenhoppen Classis	2,510 26	
Lehigh Classis	680 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	2,825 00	
Lancaster Classis	2,096 61	
Philadelphia Classis	1,756 66	
		<u>\$23,270 82</u>

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$23,270 82
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HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis	\$ 213 45	
Wyoming Classis	152 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	290 00	
Tohickon Classis	156 19	
Lebanon Classis	198 50	
Lancaster Classis	191 90	
Lehigh Classis	150 00	
Reading Classis	297 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	275 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	200 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	134 95	
Schuylkill Classis	125 75	
		<u>\$ 2,384 74</u>

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$ 2,384 74
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HARBOR MISSIONS.

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis	\$ 31 60	
Wyoming Classis	23 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	35 00	
Tohickon Classis	23 60	
Schuylkill Classis	31 00	
Lebanon Classis	36 80	
Lancaster Classis	40 52	

Lehigh Classis	40 00	
Reading Classis	45 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	37 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	33 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 376 52

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....\$ 376 52

GERMAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis	\$ 128 17	
Wyoming Classis	109 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	190 00	
Tohickon Classis	113 00	
Lebanon Classis	139 50	
Lancaster Classis	98 95	
Lehigh Classis	150 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	96 12	
Reading Classis	224 00	
Schuylkill Classis	92 89	
West Susquehanna Classis	49 50	
	<u> </u>	\$ 1,391 13

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....\$ 1,391 13

CHURCH BUILDING.

Dr.

Reading Classis	\$ 490 00	
Schuylkill Classis	167 00	
Lancaster Classis	327 60	
Lebanon Classis	184 00	
Philadelphia Classis	203 60	
Tohickon Classis	232 21	
Lehigh Classis	150 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis	163 00	
East Susquehanna Classis	148 73	
	<u> </u>	\$ 2,066 14

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....\$ 2,066 14

SEMINARY AND GERHARD FUND.

Dr.

Leonard Mountz, 18 mo. interest on Keiffer legacy..	\$ 187 50	
Wm. I. Clay, 12 mo. interest Keiffer legacy.....	70 00	
Rev. Joseph Nissley, 12 mo. interest Keiffer legacy..	30 00	
Abram Fackler, 12 mo. interest Keiffer legacy.....	150 00	
John H. Goss, 6 mo. interest Keiffer legacy.....	50 00	
H. H. Shenk, 6 mo. interest Keiffer legacy	50 00	
Samuel S. Shenk, 12 mo. interest Cook legacy.....	60 00	
Henry Alleman, 12 mo. interest Gerhard Fund.....	18 00	
	<u> </u>	\$ 615 90

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treas., interest Keiffer legacy.	\$ 537 50
John B. Roth, Treas., interest Cook legacy.....	60 00
J. J. Nissley, Treas., Bd. of Missions, Gerhart Fund	6 00
John Hertzler, Treas. Bd. Education, Gerhart Fund	6 00
Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, For. Miss., Gerhart Fund	6 00
	<hr/> \$ 615 50

CURRENT EXPENSES, THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis	\$ 58 23
Tohickon Classis	82 00
Schuylkill Classis	111 30
Lebanon Classis	85 00
Lancaster Classis	144 12
Lehigh Classis	150 00
Reading Classis	103 00
Goshenhoppen Classis	126 00
East Pennsylvania Classis	52 00
Wyoming Classis	81 00
West Susquehanna Classis	133 00
East Susquehanna Classis	98 71
	<hr/> \$ 1,224 36

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer	\$ 1,224 36
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, BOND ACCOUNT.

1904, Oct. 24, Balance in Treasury	\$ 182 47
1905, Oct. 20, Balance in Treasury	\$ 182 47

ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Dr.

1904, Oct. 24, Balance in Treasury.....	\$ 120 58
Tohickon Classis	\$ 38 00
Schuylkill Classis	40 00
Lebanon Classis	43 93
Lancaster Classis	60 90
Lehigh Classis	50 00
Reading Classis	43 00
Goshenhoppen Classis	62 00
Wyoming Classis	33 00
West Susquehanna Classis	43 00
Philadelphia Classis	22 53
East Pennsylvania Classis	75 00
1905, Oct. 20, Balance due Treasurer	68 06
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	<hr/> \$ 700 00

Cr.

Paid C. M. W. Keck, Trustee, 12 mo. interest	\$ 700 00
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MEMORIAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dr.

East Pennsylvania Classis	\$ 364 73	
Lebanon Classis	60 50	
Wyoming Classis	13 36	
Schuylkill Classis	72 41	
Lancaster Classis	133 32	
Lehigh Classis	12 00	
Tohickon Classis	176 28	
		832 60
Interest:		
East Pennsylvania Classis	\$ 64 61	
Lebanon Classis	2 00	
Schuylkill Classis	6 89	
		73 50
		\$ 906 10

Cr.

1905, Oct. 20, Paid Hummelstown Nat. Bank on loan.	\$ 832 60	
Paid Hummelstown Nat. Bank interest	54 81	
Balance in Treasury, interest account.....	18 69	
		\$ 906 10

Balance due on Loan, \$1,626.04.

Respectfully submitted,

S. M. GINGRICH, *Treasurer*.

Swatara Station, Pa., October 20th, 1905.

Reading, Pa., October 23, 1905.

We, the undersigned auditors, do hereby certify that we examined the vouchers of the Treasurer for the items set forth in the above account, and found the same correct.

D. N. SCHAEFFER,

A. B. DUNDORE,

Auditors.

(a) Report of Permanent Committee in Behalf of Allentown College for Women.

In response to item 5 in Report on Minutes of Synod in regard to raising funds for the purchase of Allentown College for Women, the following report was received. It is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHERN: As chairman of the committee to raise funds for Allentown College for Women, I beg leave to submit the following report:

Your committee is unable to report any progress. During the past year nothing has been done in the way of raising funds

for the College. This was due to the fact of the unsettled conditions at the College and also being that there is a movement to place the College under the care of the Synod, your committee realized that it was very difficult to collect money until the College is a synodical institution.

Your committee would therefore recommend that the College be taken under the care of this Synod and that a strong effort be then made to place the institution on a good financial basis.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. DELONG.

(b) Action Taken by East Pennsylvania and Lehigh Classes in Regard to Allentown College for Women.

Resolved, That all former agreements, pertaining to the Allentown College for Women, existing between the Eastern Synod, the Classis of East Pennsylvania and the Classis of Lehigh, and the Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women, be and hereby are abrogated.

Resolved, That in consideration of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States paying the sum of one dollar, and assuming the payment of all the obligations and liabilities of the Allentown College for Women, the Lehigh Classis sell, assign, transfer, and set over, all shares of capital stock of the Allentown Female College of the Reformed Church, at Allentown, Pa., and all its right, title, and interest in and to the real estate and personal property of the Allentown Female College of the Reformed Church, at Allentown, Pa., now known as the Allentown College for Women, and to that end the proper officers of this Classis, be and hereby are authorized under seal to execute and deliver proper conveyances necessary to effectuate the transfer of said property.

Resolved, That Lehigh Classis, in its behalf also authorizes and directs the Trustees of said College, through its proper officers, to join in making the necessary conveyances of said College property, to said Synod, based upon the consideration mentioned.

I hereby certify that the above is an official and correct copy of the action adopted by Lehigh Classis in reference to the

transfer of the Allentown College for Women to the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, at the special meeting held at Allentown, Pa., Oct. 17th, 1905.

Attest:

D. E. SCHOEDLER, *Stated Clerk.*

(c) **Committee of Conference With Board of Trustees of Allentown College for Women.**

In response to item 6, the following report was presented by the Committee on Conference with the Board of Trustees of Allentown College for Women:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee appointed to confer with similar committees from East Pennsylvania Classis, Lehigh Classis and Board of Trustees of the Allentown Female College relative to the purchase of the College by this Synod, beg leave to report:

Your committee was charged with the following duties: (1) To inquire as to all the facts concerning the agreement now existing between this Synod and the owners of said College for Women. (2) To inquire whether the agreement now existing should be discontinued, and the College transferred with all its indebtedness to this Synod. (3) Should such transfer appear expedient and desirable, then to report a plan of procedure for such transfer of the College to the Synod, providing therein for the preservation of all corporate rights and privileges.

The facts relative to the agreement are as follows: During its annual session at Bethlehem in 1896, the Eastern Synod received an overture from the present owners of the College offering to sell to the Synod all the real estate and franchises of the College in consideration of the payment of \$20,000, and upon the further consideration that the said College be kept and maintained as an institution for the higher education of woman. The owners of the College offered on their part to pay off the remaining indebtedness of the College which was some \$13,000, so that when the College should pass under the control of Synod it might be free of debt. Four years were

deemed a sufficiently long period of time in which to raise the amount of money called for. At that time there was no doubt in the minds of the friends of the movement but that the Board of Trustees could and would pay off their portion of the debt within the allotted time; but there was some fear lest the Synod might not be able to raise its full amount within the 4 years, and therefore, it was further agreed, that from the year 1900 Synod should pay the interest on such portion of the \$20,000.00 as might not then be raised.

In 1900, however, neither party had fulfilled its part of the agreement. Synod had raised some \$6,000, with which it purchased and now holds \$6,000 worth of first mortgage bonds resting on the property of the College. Synod also began to pay the interest on the unpaid balance of \$14,000, and has continued to do so down to the present. The Board of Trustees had failed to meet its side of the agreement even more than the Synod. It had raised \$2,800.00, which, however, was not applied to the payment of the debt, but was expended in making various repairs and improvements to the property of the College which were felt to be even more important for the welfare of the College than the payment of the debt.

Under these circumstances, Synod at its annual session at Sunbury in 1900, extended the time-limit of the sale to June 1st, 1903. At the Synod at Wilkes-Barre in the fall of 1902, the debts assumed by both parties remaining about the same, the time was again extended from June 1, 1903 to June 1, 1905, and in 1904, by the Synod at Perkasié, again to this present meeting of the Synod.

At this present time, the unpaid portion of the Synod is still \$14,000, and the remaining indebtedness, that is the total indebtedness of the College not including the \$20,000 which Synod assumed, is reported by the Treasurer of the College to be a little more than \$11,000. The Board of Trustees has during these years raised between five and six thousand dollars, but almost all of this has been consumed in repairing and improving the College property and in making up deficits in the current expenses of the institution. Such are the facts as they pertain to the agreement entered into in 1896.

Now what for the future?

It is the opinion of your committee as well as of all the other committees with which our committee was instructed to confer that it would not be expedient longer to continue under the old agreement. For some reason or other the life seems to have gone out of that old agreement both as to the Synod and as to the Board of Trustees, and there seems now to be little prospect of bringing it to a successful conclusion.

After the fullest consideration of all the facts and interests entering into the case, your committee has unanimously concluded (and in this action it is endorsed by all the committees with which we were instructed to confer) to recommend to this Synod that the ownership of the College be at once transferred to this Synod, Synod assuming all the debts and obligations of the College and receiving in consideration therefore all its property and franchises.

Among the reasons which have brought us to this conclusion we can briefly mention only a few:

First, we believe that this Synod *ought* to have an institution for the higher education of woman. Our Church believes in higher education primarily, not as a means of getting a livelihood, but as a means of personal culture and the perfecting of the individual. This being so, our daughters are entitled to such privilege no less than our sons. Furthermore, when we consider the position and influence of woman in the house and through the home, in the Church and society in general, we can not but believe that in neglecting to promote the higher education and culture of woman, our Church is neglecting one of the most potent influences for her own welfare as well as the welfare of humanity at large. Our Church and society in general need nothing so much at this present time as homes presided over by wives and mothers of thorough education and culture. And, in addition to this, our people are calling for such an institution as is plainly evidenced by the large and increasing number of the daughters of our Church who are being sent every year to such colleges in New England and elsewhere.

Therefore your committee very strongly believes that this Synod can not afford to delay such movement any longer. Now if the College at Frederick were more centrally located,

we might, perhaps, join with the Synod of the Potomac to make that the one College for our daughters here in the East. But being so far away from us, we feel quite sure that it would never receive the support and patronage of our people which would be given an institution located more in our own midst.

But if we, as a Synod, are to have such an institution of our own, then your committee is also of the opinion that it would be better to accept this offer of the Allentown Female College rather than to start somewhere else. It is true, the debt of the College is some \$31,000, or, not counting the \$6,000 already raised by the Synod, some \$25,000. But I myself was assured by several of the most reliable real estate agents in the city of Allentown whom I personally consulted, that \$40,000 would be a very safe and conservative estimate of the value of the College grounds, not taking into consideration the value of the buildings erected thereon. In other words, they said that the College ground, if cut up into lots and disposed of in that way, would readily and at any time bring an aggregate sum of \$40,000. The College buildings, of course, would not be worth much except for the purpose for which they have been erected, viz: school purposes. But for such purposes, \$25,000 would, it seems to me, be a very low estimate of their value. Whilst then the debt would be \$31,000, the value of the property for school purposes would be anywhere from \$60,000 to \$70,000. Furthermore, the College is now 37 years old and has already a very considerable alumnae, which is always a source of strength to such an institution.

There may be some disappointment on the part of the Synod that the Board of Trustees has not come up to its own offer, at least more largely than it has done. Your committee itself confesses to a feeling of this kind. But there are some extenuating circumstances which need to be remembered in justice to the Board. Like all such institutions of higher education, the College never paid its own expenses, and the members of the Board of Trustees and the friends of the College in Allentown and vicinity were very frequently called upon to reach into their pockets and contribute liberally to make up deficits in the current expenses and to pay for

necessary improvements. While this agreement was pending, the \$5,000 or \$6,000 raised by the Board were consumed in this way, and the same thing has happened all along for 37 years. But your committee feels assured that if the College is taken hold of aright, the community in which the College is located will give liberal support. In view of these facts and considerations, your committee is of the opinion that the College ought at once to be transferred to the Synod. Therefore, in order to facilitate the speedy transfer of the College, East Pennsylvania Classis, Lehigh Classis and the Board of Trustees have taken the following action. They have all passed exactly the same action, but I will quote the action as taken by East Pennsylvania Classis:

Resolved. (1) That all former agreements pertaining to the Allentown College for Women, existing between the Eastern Synod, the Classis of East Pennsylvania, the Classis of Lehigh and the Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women, be and are hereby abrogated.

Resolved. (2) That in consideration of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States paying the sum of one dollar and assuming the payment of all the obligations and liabilities of the Allentown College for Women, the East Pennsylvania Classis sell, assign, transfer and set over all shares of capital stock of the Allentown Female College, at Allentown, Pa., its right, title and interest in and to the real estate and personal property of the Allentown Female College of the Reformed Church, at Allentown, Pa., now known as the Allentown College for Women, to the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, its successors and assigns; and to that end the proper officers of this Classis be and are hereby authorized under seal to execute and deliver proper conveyances to effectuate the transfer of said property.

Resolved. (3) That East Pennsylvania Classis in its behalf also authorizes and directs the Trustees of said College, through its proper officers, to join in making the necessary conveyances of said College property to said Synod based upon the considerations mentioned.

stated above, the same action was taken by Lehigh is and the Board of Trustees.

view of all these facts and considerations, your committee would recommend the following action:

solved, (1) That all agreements hitherto made and now in force between this Synod and the Classis of East Pennsylvania, the Classis of Lehigh and the Board of Trustees of the Allentown Female College, relative to the sale of said College to this Synod, be and are hereby abrogated.

solved, (2) That this Synod hereby accepts, on the terms proposed, the offer for the sale of the Allentown Female College to this Synod, now submitted to it by the present owners of the College.

solved, (3) That the title and ownership of the College be vested in this, the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church of the United States, and that the management and control of the affairs of the College shall be committed into the hands of a Board of Trustees. This Board shall consist of sixteen members, two-thirds of which number shall be elected by this Synod, and the remaining third shall be elected by the Board of Trustees. Moreover, the members of this Board shall be so distributed that each one of the twelve Classes now comprising this Synod shall have at least one representative on the Board, excepting the Classis of East Pennsylvania and the Classis of Lehigh, which shall each have three representatives on the Board. The terms of service of these Trustees shall be eight years, and it shall be so arranged that the terms of three members shall expire and be filled by election every four years.

The sixteen members which are to be elected by the Synod shall be elected at this present annual session.

solved, (4) That these sixteen Trustees, when elected, shall convene in the city of Allentown as soon as convenient for the purpose of organizing the College and for electing the remaining eight members of the Board; and that this Board of Trustees thus constituted shall have full power to act for this Synod in all matters pertaining to the sale and transfer of the College to this Synod, and in general to do all such things as in their

judgment the welfare and success of the College may call for. They shall also prepare a new charter, which shall be submitted to this Synod at its next annual session for approval.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. F. DeLONG,
SCOTT R. WAGNER,
ELMER S. NOLL.

The foregoing report was carefully considered item by item, and each item acted on separately and finally. The report was adopted as a whole.

In compliance with the suggestion contained in the third resolution, the following persons were duly elected members of the Board of Trustees for Allentown College for Women:

Rev. Dr. S. G. Wagner, Theo. F. Herman and E. H. Reninger, of Lehigh Classis; Revs. Dr. J. F. DeLong, J. G. Rupp and Howard Knecht, of East Penna Classis; Rev. Thos. W. Dickert, of Reading Classis; Rev. Geo. W. Hartman, of Schuylkill Classis; Rev. C. B. Schneder, of East Susquehanna Classis; Wm. M. Focht, of Goshenhoppen Classis; Jeremiah S. Hess, of Tohickon Classis; Rev. A. S. Dechant, of Philadelphia Classis; Dr. J. Sweisfort, of Wyoming Classis; Dr. Geo. W. Hosterman, of West Susquehanna Classis; Hon. John H. Landis, of Lancaster Classis, and Mr. Eugene Bowman, of Lebanon Classis.

II. Report of Standing Committee on Finance.

The report of Standing Committee on Finance was presented on Monday afternoon, the several items contained therein received due consideration; and the report was finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Finance respectfully offers the following report:

There were referred to us the report of the Treasurer of the Synod and the report of the Treasurer of the Board of Missions, both properly attested by the Auditors; the report of

the Trustees of Synod; and the following amounts to be apportioned among the several Classes:

Eastern Synod's Contingent	\$ 1,000 00
Home Missions	40,700 00
Foreign Missions	28,900 00
Hungarian, Harbor and Bohemian Missions....	4,300 00
Church Building	8,025 00
Seminary Aid	2,175 00
Allentown College	700 00
General Synod's Contingent	1,428 00
Expenses, inauguration of Prof. Noss.....	147 82
Total	\$87,375 82

From these papers we gather the following facts:

1st. That East Pennsylvania and Schuylkill Classes paid their apportionment, principle and interest, for Washington Memorial Church in full.

2d. That the Classes still in arrears on the Washington Memorial Fund are as follows:

Wyoming	\$138 67
Lehigh	*710 17
Lancaster	39 88
Lebanon	603 94
Tohickon	176 27

*Less \$200 paid in too late for this year's report.

3d. That there was paid on account of Washington Memorial Church, \$887.41, leaving a balance of \$1,626.04 to be paid.

4th. That the following Classes are in arrears on Eastern Synod's Contingent Fund: Wyoming, \$41; Lehigh, \$50; Lebanon, \$115; Goshenhoppen, \$35; Philadelphia, \$81; Reading, \$60; total, \$382.

We offer the following for your consideration:

Resolved, (1) That Synod calls the attention of the several Classes, which are in arrears on apportionments made, and most earnestly urge their prompt and full payment, especially those of Home and Foreign Missions and the Contingent Funds.

Resolved, (2) That Synod request each Classis, in arrears on the Washington Memorial Fund, to pay five per cent. interest annually on such arrearage.

Resolved, (3) That the following apportionment be made upon the Classes:

CLASSES.	Eastern Synod Contingent.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Hungarian, Harbor, Bohemian Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.	Wash. Memorial Arrears.	Expenses of Inaug- uration of Dr. Noss.	General Synod's Contingent.
E. Pennsylvania	\$114	\$4,200	\$3,007	\$445	\$830	\$228	\$77	\$710 17	\$19	\$154
Lehigh	181	6,535	4,765	705	1,515	302	129		29	245
Lebanon	107	3,942	2,823	419	778	214	70	908 94	18	149
Reading	110	4,267	3,066	452	845	222	77		19	157
Tobacco	94	3,460	2,477	367	684	188	62	170 27	15	127
Philadelphia	92	3,571	2,404	357	650	182	61		13	124
Goshenhoppen	78	2,874	2,058	304	567	156	52		13	106
Lancaster	80	2,923	2,092	309	579	158	52	39 88	12	107
E. Susquehanna	62	2,252	1,613	239	445	123	41		10	83
Wyoming	65	2,391	1,712	254	475	130	36	138 67	11	89
W. Susquehanna	86	2,307	1,694	251	408	129	42		11	87
Schuykill	57	2,079	1,487	221	412	113	36		10	78
Totals	\$1,111	\$40,781	\$29,190	\$4,323	\$8,047	\$2,217	\$736	\$1,008 98	\$181	\$1,502

Respectfully submitted,

FRANK WITZEL,
I. CALVIN FISHER,
I. W. TYSON,
J. H. KURZENKNABE.

An order was granted on the Treasurer of Synod for \$25 in favor of the pastor of St. John's Reformed church, Williamsport, Pa., for the use of the church in holding its annual sessions, and to cover the incidental expenses incurred in behalf of Synod.

An order was granted on the Treasurer of Synod for \$147.82, in favor of Rev. Chas. E. Schaeffer, chairman on installation of Rev. Christopher Noss as Professor of Systematic Theology, for the liquidation of expenses incurred by the inauguration.

Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D.D., was elected as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod, and Elder Wellington M. Leimbach was elected Treasurer for the ensuing year.

ARTICLE XVI.

APPEALS AND REFERENCES.

The judgment of the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, in regard to several items contained in the report concerning Irregularities, was sustained.

The request of Lebanon Classis, that the action of Synod discontinuing the practice of publishing arrearages on Classical apportionments, was granted; and action was taken instructing the Treasurer to omit from his annual report such arrearages, with the exception of those levied for contingent expenses and such others as Synod in its corporate capacity has by special action made itself responsible.

ARTICLE XVII.

COMPLAINTS.

There was no business requiring the attention of Synod under the heading of this article.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The report of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Sunday-schools.

Report of the Sunday-School Board of General Synod.

To the District Synods of the Reformed Church of the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: The detailed report of the Editorial and Business departments, and of the Sunday-school and Missionary work of the Board, for the past year, is given in the Triennial Report of the Board to the General Synod. A copy of the Triennial Report accompanies this brief statement, and is presented to the Synod for its consideration.

The Board trusts that your Reverend Synod will emphasize the importance of the work of the Sunday-school.

The subject of Moral and Religious Education is in the air. It is generally conceded that the Sunday-school is a school of religion, and as such, bears heavy responsibility in the work of the Church.

The history of the Sunday-school from Robert Raikes till now, presents a gratifying advance. Six particulars may be noted:

1. The character and membership of the school. From neglected and poor children to all classes of children, and including as well, young people and adults.

2. The teachers. The modern school started with a few paid teachers. Today a vast army of men and women give their services freely—for Christ's sake. There is nothing grander than this since the days of the Son of man.

3. At first, instruction was given in reading, writing, etc. Now the Bible is the sole text-book.

4. Methods. At first the sole work consisted of memorizing texts. Now we aim both to memorize and study passages.

5. The subject matter. In place of random choices of Biblical passages, there are used systematic, uniform lessons. And the graded school, with its supplemental material, has come to stay.

6. The pastor. The time has long since gone by when a minister of the gospel would oppose the Sunday-school. Today the Church has learned anew to emphasize the teaching function of the ministry, and to look upon the pastor of the Church as the leader of the Sunday-school.

The time is at hand when God imposes upon us the duty of developing all the latent possibilities of the Sunday-school. More time and attention must be given to the moral and religious instruction of the young. The dignity and the high calling of the Sunday-school teacher must be more fully recognized by the individual occupying this responsible position and by the parents and the Church.

The place of the child as central, both to the correct understanding of the truths of our holy religion, and to the proper methods of their promulgation, must be more clearly seen. Is it not plain, therefore, that the Church, through her ecclesiastical judicatories, should call renewed attention to the fundamental importance of the Sunday-school.

To do this, we trust your reverend body will give specific instructions to the Sunday-school Board in your Synod, and ask each Classis for the co-operation of their Committee on Sunday-school work. The printed report of the Board presents suggestions for the work of the several committees, and also the pastors of the churches. We would refer particularly to

the Standard of Excellence, to the Teachers Training Course, Volume Two of which has just been issued, and to the Lesson Helps and Hymnals, published by the Board. The feeling grows upon us that our Synods and Classes should, by resolutions and some definite action, bring home to the heart and conscience of the pastors and consistories of the Church, the two-fold admonition of the great Head of the Church, "Feed my Lambs." This injunction, in order of time and of importance is first. Has not the Church reversed the command, and may we not believe that the neglect to carry out the teaching and example of our Lord, in relation to the young, accounts for the comparatively slow progress of the kingdom?

Brethren, let the prayers of the Church ascend in behalf of the Sunday-school work. Let us have a more profound sense of its growing importance, and let us make a more generous provision for its needs.

Respectfully submitted,

C. CLEVER, *President.*

RUFUS W. MILLER, *Secretary.*

Philadelphia, Pa., September, 1905.

Summary Sunday-school Statistical Reports, Eastern Synod, 1905.

CLASSES.	No. Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Home Department.	Total Enrollment.	Sunday-school Board.	Other Church Boards.	Other Benev. Objects.	Support of Schools.
E. Pennsylvania	71	1,849	10,034		11,783	\$179	\$652	\$473	\$7,498
E. Susquehanna	47	458	4,761	323	6,715	143	658	885	2,715
W. Susquehanna	60	801	5,253	130	4,239	109	639	103	1,790
Lebanon	50	979	7,913	518	8,411	123	824	489	5,273
Philadelphia	39	958	8,923	865	9,798	89	2,002	1,830	7,436
Lancaster	47	1,032	7,279	398	8,720	309	1,790	2,589	3,456
Tobacco	49	839	6,773	355	5,938	68	321	685	1,589
Goshenhoppen	30	630	4,957	120	5,761	115	558	687	3,679
Lehigh	59	1,126	12,637	495	13,833	563	1,598	478	5,746
Schuylkill	32	597	4,923	223	5,730	86	575	1,156	2,757
Wyoming	50	760	6,332	91	7,352	114	351	791	4,076
Reading	31	1,008	9,541	915	10,273	78	1,711	3,163	5,765
Totals	563	10,577	80,928	4,433	100,506	\$1,976	\$11,674	\$13,664	\$31,989

Report of Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools.

This report was presented on Monday, acted on item by item, and finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Sunday-schools respectfully presents the following report:

These documents have been placed into our hands: The sixth triennial report of the Sunday-school Board; the report of the same Board to the district Synods, and the statistical reports of the several Classes.

From these reports we learn the following facts: The receipts for the Missionary Fund in the last three years were \$10,690.21, an increase of \$1,543.21 over the receipts for the preceding triennium; ten Sunday-school missionaries have been employed; nine new Sunday-schools were organized; six Hungarian schools were aided in their organization; seven congregations have come from these schools; the value of literature granted in three years amounts to \$2,500; there are 1,645 schools, 25,574 officers and teachers, and a total enrollment of 231,790; 13 periodicals are published; the total issue of all periodicals amounts to 323,385, an increase of 4,165 in three years; 100,000 copies of the Sunday-school Hymnal have been issued so far, all except 5,000 of which have been sold; all this of the Sunday-school and Missionary Department. In the Publication Department, 9,479,450 copies of various kinds of literature have been published; there is a steady increase of the value of the sales; the net profits of the triennium were \$12,307.62; the capital invested is \$28,461.36, an increase of \$10,309.62; more than 11,000 are enrolled in the Home Department.

From the statement of these facts it can be seen that the work of the Sunday-schools is in capable hands; that there has been a gradual growth in all departments of the work; and that we have abundant reason for gratitude to God for the signal manner in which this phase of Church work has been blessed.

The General Synod urges that this work should be urged with increasing zeal, because of the fact that the Sunday-school has become so important a factor in extending the Kingdom of God. It is the great source of supply for the Church. It labors with the mind and soul at a time when impressions are readily made and are most likely to abide. The

Sunday-school has become the means in God's hands of reaching thousands of children who otherwise would receive no instruction in the ways of righteousness. It is not saying too much to affirm that the future of our country and the world depends largely upon its work. All these things should impel to larger and more persistent efforts to gather the children and bring them under its sanctifying influences.

There is one phase of the work that demands the special attention of the Synod. It is a fact that some ministers do not interest themselves in this work. They are rarely seen in the Sunday-school; they take no part in the work; do nothing to encourage those who are engaged in the work. These things ought not so to be. The pastor as the leader of the flock should not neglect the lambs who need his tenderest shepherding. It is the pastor's duty, and should be his pleasure, to lead in the Sunday-school.

In order that the best interests of the Sunday-school may be subserved, herewith are presented the following recommendations:

1. That the Stated Clerks of the several Classes be requested to send the Sunday-school statistical reports to the General Secretary of the Sunday-school Board at least thirty days before the annual meeting of Synod.

2. That Synod appoint a permanent committee on Sunday-schools; and that it shall be the duty of this committee to co-operate with similar committees to be appointed by the Classes in doing some definite work with special reference to teacher training, Graded Schools, Home Department, Cradle Roll, enlarging the enrollment, and in gathering the children into the Church. We recommend the following committee of five: Dr. S. P. Heilman, for five years; Rev. J. W. Meminger, D.D., for four years; Rev. S. L. Whitmore, D.D., for three years; Rev. A. S. Dechant, for two years; and Elder Charles H. Leinbach, for one year.

3. That the Synod earnestly urges all the ministers within its bounds to identify themselves actively with the work of the Sunday-school.

4. That Synod urges a more careful and correct tabulation of all Sunday-school statistics.

Respectfully submitted,

J. SWEIFORT,	H. H. RANCK,
E. F. WIEST,	S. H. DIETZEL.

ARTICLE XIX. PUBLICATION.

The undersigned begs leave to report in response to item in report on Minutes of Synod, that, in accordance with instructions, 4,100 copies of the "Acts and Proceedings" of the 158th annual session of the Eastern Synod, held in Perkasie, Pa., were printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distributed to those entitled to receive them, according to the rules and regulations of Synod in the case.

The printing was done under the auspices of the Reformed Publication Board, at a cost of \$353.67, and the Minutes were distributed in January.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

The Stated Clerk was ordered to have printed 4,200 copies of the Minutes of Eastern Synod, bound in pamphlet form, and distribute the same to those entitled to receive them.

Annual Report of the Publication Board of Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: We herewith present to your Reverend Bodies the annual report of your Publication Board. With the view of keeping in touch as much as possible with the interest entrusted to their oversight and care, the Board has been holding two meetings annually, one in March and one in September. The Manager submits to the Board at each meeting a statement of the condition of the business and at the close of the year, July 1st, a committee appointed by the Board audits the books, takes an inventory of the stock and reports the assets and liabilities of the plant to the September meeting of the Board. In the very nature of the case, the Board is under the necessity of relying largely upon the explanations, representations and judgment of those in charge of the business, as their intimate and constant association with all the operations of the

concern gives them a practical understanding of its affairs, such as it is not possible for the members of the Board to possess.

The financial condition of our Publication affairs is represented by the following report which was approved by the auditing committee:

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.

RESOURCES.

Cash	\$1,598 78
Cash invested	1,000 00
New Hymnal—in process of manufacture	4,600 00
Accounts receivable—Book Department.....	2,832 96
Accounts receivable—Advertising Department.....	855 62
Merchandise—Book Department	5,603 10
Merchandise—Messenger	439 17
Furniture and Fixtures	1,268 32
Rent paid in advance	250 00
Messenger—Subscriptions due	1,666 25
Review—Subscriptions due	321 50
	<u>\$20,435 70</u>

LIABILITIES.

Messenger—subscriptions paid in advance.....	\$ 4,478 75
Review—subscriptions paid in advance	228 00
Capital June 30, 1905	15,728 95
	<u>\$20,435 70</u>

LOSSES AND GAINS.

BOOK DEPARTMENT.		LOSSES.	GAINS.
Inventory July 1, 1905.....	\$ 5,603 10		
Credits for the year.....	23,351 99		
	<u>\$28,955 09</u>		
Inventory July 1, 1904.....	\$ 8,021 67		
Debits for the year.....	20,005 21		
	<u>\$28,026 88</u>		
Interest on Investments.....			\$ 928 21
Royalty from S. S. Board....			194 00
			750 00

MESSENGER.

Inventory July 1, 1904.....	\$ 397 54
Debits for the year.....	16,421 50
Subscriptions paid in advance..	4,478 75
	<u>\$21,297 79</u>
Inventory July 1, 1905.....	\$ 439 17
Credits for the year.....	12,650 56
Subscriptions due	1,666 25
	<u>\$14,755 98</u>
	<u>\$6,541 81</u>

REVIEW.

Debits for the year.....	\$ 783 18
Subscriptions paid in advance..	228 00
	<u>\$ 1,011 18</u>

Credits for the year.....	\$ 639 65		
Subscriptions due	321 50		
	<u> </u>	\$ 961 15	
		<u> </u>	\$ 90 03

FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.

Inventory July 1, 1904.....	\$ 1,247 07		
Debits for the year.....	27 25		
	<u> </u>	\$ 1,274 32	
Inventory July 1, 1905.....		1,268 32	
		<u> </u>	\$ 6 c3
Expenses Board meetings and Committees and Printing Reports.....		105 40	
Net loss.....			\$4,831 03
		<u>\$6,703 24</u>	<u>\$6,703 24</u>

This statement is not as satisfactory as we had hoped it would be and it shows that some changes of procedure must be made. The capital is given at \$15,728.95, which is almost \$5,000 less than that reported last year; the net earnings of the Book Department is not one-half as much as last year; and the deficit on the Messenger is much larger. The reduction in the capital is in part accounted for by the fact that in last year's report no account was taken of subscriptions paid in advance and subscriptions due. The difference in the Messenger deficit is explained by the fact that last year's report included an item of about \$4,000 subscriptions due, which are uncollectible. Whilst this explanation accounts for the variations in the annual statement, it is nevertheless true that the deficit in the Messenger account has been very considerable ever since the reduction of its price to \$1.25. This is a feature in our Publication affairs that seemed to the Board to require immediate attention, though the plant remains in a good financial condition.

We regret to report that the Messenger has been published at such a considerable loss. Our expectations, that in consequence of the reduction in the price of the paper the subscription list would be largely increased, have not been realized. The number of subscribers at present is only a little over 8,000. In order to maintain the paper at the low price at least 12,000 subscribers are needed. It seems this number can not be secured. The Board accordingly, at its last meeting, instructed its Manager to increase the price of the Messenger at the beginning of the coming year to its former figure of \$1.75 per

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annum. This course was forced upon the Board by the facts as they have been developed. The Church undoubtedly demands a high-class family paper, such as we believe the Messenger to be. In our judgment it compares very favorably with the papers of other Churches that are published at \$2.00 and upwards. If, however, we could have secured from twelve to fifteen thousand subscribers, the Messenger might have been sustained at \$1.25. But as the case stands, it is necessary to put the price at the figure it was previous to the reduction. If our patrons feel disappointed in this matter, we can assure them that their disappointment is not greater than that of the Board. It now devolves upon the pastors and people of the Church who desire a first-class religious family paper to rally to the support of the Messenger at the increased price above mentioned.

The Board approved the management of Rev. A. S. Bromer and requested him to continue in the present relation, which has proved satisfactory to both parties; and also instructed him, as Acting Manager, to attend the meetings of Synod this fall and make such explanations of Publication matters as may be necessary.

The members of your Board by invitation of the Sunday-school Board of the General Synod, met on September 6th of this year, in conference with representatives of the Sunday-school, the Home Mission and the Foreign Mission Boards, for the purpose of considering the advisability of erecting a Reformed Church Building, for the use of the various Boards of the Church. It was the judgment of this conference that such a building would be desirable; that it ought to be located in Philadelphia; that it ought to be owned by a commission in trust for the Reformed Church; that this commission ought to be composed of five members to be selected as follows: One by each of the four Boards represented in the conference, and the fifth one by the four thus chosen; that this commission or Board of Trustees ought to be incorporated for the transaction of the business entrusted to them.

The Publication Board afterwards in regular session designated Elders H. M. Housekeeper and J. W. Bickel to view locations for the proposed building and convey their judgment

in the matter to the Sunday-school Board, and it also passed the following resolution:

"Resolved, That we appoint W. Rush Gillan, Esq., to enter the proposed corporation, on the condition that this Publication Board be in no way made financially responsible for the actions of said corporation."

The term of office of J. W. Bickel and A. E. Truxal expires December 31, 1905. It will devolve upon the Synod to which these members belong, to fill the vacancies thus occasioned. However, as J. W. Bickel was re-elected last year by the Eastern Synod, one year prior to the expiration of his term, we would suggest that his re-election be made to cover the term from December 31, 1905, to December 31, 1909.

Respectfully submitted,

W. RUSH GILLAN, *President.*

A. E. TRUXAL, *Secretary.*

Report of Standing Committee on Publication.

The Standing Committee on Publication submitted its report on Saturday morning. It was acted on, item by item, and finally the report as a whole was adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Standing Committee on Publication begs leave to report as follows:

The only documents placed in our hands were the annual report of the Board, and a copy of the new edition of the Hymnal, from which we learn that the interests of this department of the work of the Church are well managed. There is a considerable falling off in the net income from the Book Department, but this was occasioned through the publication of the new edition of the Hymnal. We regret that there is a deficit each year in the publication of *The Messenger*, but are fully persuaded that no blame is to be attached in any way to the Board. In view of these facts and others mentioned in the report, we would offer the following recommendations:

1. That we express our appreciation of the work of the Board in their management of the publications.

that we commend the editor of The Messenger on the care maintained in all the articles of the Church paper.
 that we approve of the increasing of the price of The Messenger from \$1.25 to \$1.75 after January 1, 1906.

that we approve of the selection of Rev. A. S. Bromer as manager of the publication interests.

that we approve of the effort of the Board of Publication, the Sunday-school Board, and the Home and Foreign Boards to erect a Reformed Church Building in the city of Philadelphia.

that we hail with delight not only the publication of the new edition of the Hymnal, but also its most satisfactory appearance and binding.

that we again urge pastors and people to purchase books through the Book Department of this Board.

that Synod, through the Classes, urge pastors and people to continue to support The Messenger, and to endeavor to enlarge the subscription list.

that Synod, through the Classes, commend The Reviewers and to the more intelligent laymen.

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. WIEAND,

SCOTT R. WAGNER,

G. S. KLOPP,

GEO. P. STEM,

N. M. BALLIET.

John W. Bickel, of Norristown, Pa., was re-elected as Secretary of the Publication Board.

ARTICLE XX.

ORPHANS' HOME AND OTHER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

The thirty-second annual report of this institution was received by the standing committee on this subject; also the folio report received from the superintendent of the institution.

The report is as follows, to wit:

Reverend Eastern Synod:

MY FRIENDS AND BRETHREN: We respectfully call attention to the published annual report, which we submit herewith. In it you will find a full account of our work

during the year. We cared for 148 children. The average number at the Home at any one time was about 133. Deducting \$2,240 expended for permanent improvements, from the total amount expended during the year, we find that \$12,205, or about \$91.77 per child, was expended in housing, feeding, clothing, educating, training and in a general way caring for it. The results have been reasonably satisfactory, and those of our children who have been placed out into private homes have made a very favorable impression upon the communities in which they now live. Ninety-nine of our children are from within the bounds of your Synod. Many applicants had to be refused for want of room, and the question of enlargement is beginning to challenge attention. In this matter the management of the Home will be governed largely by the sentiment of the membership of the Church as expressed by the liberality of its contributions. Last year these amounted to \$10,918. This, together with the income from other sources, and especially from the proceeds of the Anniversary Celebration, left us a balance in the treasury at the end of the year. A stormy Anniversary Day would have left us with a deficit at the end of the year. I mention this for two reasons: First, to show that the contributions do not as yet indicate a desire on the part of the Church to enlarge the work; and, secondly, to show the importance of encouraging the people to come to visit us on that day, both for the sake of the direct money returns, and, secondly, for the further returns resulting from increased and more widely extended interest in the Home. And the result is mutually beneficial. In proportion as the members of our congregations become interested in this Church Home, in that proportion will they increase in value to the Church Home.

We will again be prepared to send out offering envelopes for a Christmas contribution to the Orphans Home, and hope that pastors will indicate at an early day how many they will need to supply all their congregations.

With gratitude for your interest in the past, we confidently expect your continued liberal support.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON F. MORE, *Superintendent.*

Report of Standing Committee on Bethany Orphans' Home.

The following report was received on Saturday during the afternoon session. It was considered in its several items and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The forty-second annual report of Bethany Orphans Home, and the report of the Rev. W. F. More, its superintendent, which were submitted to this committee of your reverend body, have been examined.

The annual report to the Board of Directors and Managers of the Home is remarkably thorough, complete and comprehensive. It should have the widest possible circulation among the members of our Church. From the superintendent's report we learn that 148 children were cared for during the year, at a total cost of \$12,205, and that after deducting expenditures for extensions and improvements, the average cost per child for maintenance was \$91.77.

Ninety-nine of the children at the Home are from within the bounds of our Synod.

Besides the constant need of funds for support, we learn that there is a great need of an additional cottage for children between the ages of 5 and 7 years. How eminently appropriate and proper such a cottage would be as a memorial to some loved one, called to the great Home beyond! We can not refrain from directing attention to the great efficiency shown by the new superintendent. Every line of his report breathes forth a great love for the fatherless, and an eminent fitness for the position he so ably fills. We therefore offer the following resolutions:

1. That this Synod expresses its highest appreciation of the work being done at Womelsdorf by Superintendent W. F. More, and prays that God's richest blessing may rest upon him in his arduous labors; and that the thought "Inasmuch as ye did it unto one of these my brethren, even these least, ye did it unto me," may be his constant satisfaction.

Storrer, David B. Clark, Ph. Steinhage, Bechtold Ruf, Frederick A. Cook, James J. Schaeffer, John B. Kaloria, S. Ezra Neikirk, John W. Albertson, Cosmos H. Herbst, Geo. A. Dreibels, Wm. H. Lahr, John F. Kerlin, John S. Heffner, Benj. M. Meyer, Theo. C. Hesson, Jacob N. Faust, J. Thomas Fox, Geo. E. Metger, Carl Jaekel, Howard Obold, Reuben F. Shultz, Charles E. Schaeffer, Charles E. Creitz, Paul I. Deppen, William H. Kerschner, Wm. F. Curtis, Albert Krahn and Henry Schenk.

ASSETS.

Invested fund	\$70,300 00
Cash in treasury	3,247 88
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	\$73,547 88

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

Rev. J. David Miller, President, Everett, Pa.; Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Vice-President, Harrisburg, Pa.; Rev. John W. Pontius, Secretary, Middletown, Md.; Rev. Simon S. Miller, Treasurer and Solicitor, Frederick, Md.; Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., Assessor, Frederick, Md.

The following is a statement of the receipts and expenditures within the bounds of the Eastern Synod by the Society for Relief, for the period from January 1, 1886, to September 30, 1905:

RECEIPTS.

East Pennsylvania Classis	\$ 1,413 01
Philadelphia Classis	1,927 75
East Susquehanna Classis	598 46
West Susquehanna Classis	777 14
Tohickon Classis	1,838 37
Lehigh Classis	767 87
Lancaster Classis	1,422 12
Reading Classis	816 61
Goshenhoppen Classis	582 00
Wyoming Classis	452 40
Schuylkill Classis	1,660 48
Lebanon Classis	1,235 00
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	\$13,591 21
Bequests and donations	12,207 62
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	\$25,798 83

EXPENDITURES.

Paid to 16 annuitants.....	\$ 4,554 00
“ 11 “	3,730 00
“ 7 “	2,025 00
“ 3 “	1,635 00
“ 3 “	1,447 96
“ 5 “	1,950 00
“ 3 “	675 00
“ 2 “	725 00
“ 3 “	855 00
“ 2 “	650 00
“ 1 “	150 00
“ 1 “	247 75
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57	\$18,644 71
192 Life Members, made at \$65.00 each	12,480 00
Excess of expenditures over receipts, \$5,325.88.	

The foregoing communication, in addition to several items in the report on Overtures, were referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. Marion L. Firor, W. H. Erb, and Elder John P. Luft, who on the fifth day of the sessions presented the following report, which was adopted:

Report on Society for Relief of Ministers.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee to whom were referred items 1 and 2 of the report on Overtures, together with items 2 and 3 in the report on Minutes of General Synod, including a statement from Rev. S. S. Miller, Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows, also a printed triennial statement of the same Society from May 15, 1902, to May 10, 1905; and also a letter from the Secretary of the Ministerial Relief Society of General Synod, requesting that collections be lifted for the same.

We beg leave to report that these papers have been earnestly pondered, and after prayerful consideration your committee recommends the following for your consideration:

WHEREAS, The Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows, now 114 years old, having passed through many great trials and yet survived them all, and now numbers more than 400 ministers on its roll of membership, and through these many years has done an amount of good which, like the sweet blessings of God, can not be measured by figures or told in words, and with all this, after aiding many needy ones, has a surplus; and,

WHEREAS, The late General Synod at Allentown commended this Society anew to the confidence and support of the Church; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, That in view of the above, together with the great obligation assumed by this Synod, this body does not deem it advisable at this time to recommend collections for two Relief Societies.

2. *Resolved*, That this Synod recommends that the several Classes within its bounds request their respective charges to lift collections during the year for the Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

Respectfully submitted,

MARION L. FIROR, *Chairman*.

The request presented in the 15th item in report on Overtures, in behalf of General Synod's Board of Ministerial Relief, to appoint a committee to bring its work before the Classes, was duly considered and the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That, under existing circumstances, Synod does not see its way clear at the present time to grant the request of the recently organized Ministerial Society of General Synod.

Report of the President of the Board of Trustees of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home, Allentown, Pa.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND AND DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: I beg herewith respectfully to submit the second annual report of the Board of Trustees of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home.

Deaconess work in the Church of God may be said to be as old as Christianity, and was held in high esteem by the Apostles and their co-laborers. And this feature of Christian work served as an important and efficient activity in the Church down to the Middle Ages, when it lost its power for good and passed away.

Several unsuccessful attempts were made during the Reformation of the sixteenth century to restore it again to its ancient place. It was, however, not until the year 1836 that

this important office and work were revived through the earnest zeal and untiring efforts of the Rev. Theodore Fliedner, at Kaiserswerth, in Germany. His self-denying and efficient work of love was so signally crowned with success that today there are over 16,000 consecrated women engaged in Deaconess work in the Protestant Church of Europe.

Within the last 25 or 30 years, several branches of the Protestant Church in this country have revived the office of the Christian Deaconess, and they have found it to be a very important and helpful feature in organized work of Christian charity.

Our own beloved Church has three Deaconess Homes in encouragingly successful operation, all of which are located in Ohio—namely, Cincinnati, Cleveland and Alliance.

Our Church in the mother Synod was last in point of time to enlist in this important part of Christian work; and we can not seek too soon nor too earnestly to redeem the time.

We can not but feel greatly encouraged to hope for great things when we remember what has already been accomplished in the short time which has elapsed since the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home was dedicated and its doors opened for practical work. For within a single year we have received no less than four young ladies who are now in training for the office of the Christian Deaconess in its threefold feature of the Christian nurse, the parish helper, and the instructor of the poor and the helpless. Also, an elderly lady as a helper in the care of the inmates of the Old Folks Home. All are making commendable progress in their studies and the practical work of the Christian Deaconess.

Five aged and infirm ladies are inmates of the Old Folks Home, and they are tenderly cared for and faithfully nursed in their infirmities incident to old age. One of the inmates of the Old Folks Home was called away by death during the year, and another has been admitted in her stead.

There are many applicants for admission to this Home, but, alas! we are even now overcrowded, and can not admit any more inmates so long as we are limited to our present room. The early erection of buildings adapted to the work which this institution has laid out for itself is a necessity which

forces itself upon the Board of Trustees more and more from day to day.

The coadjutors of this institution have laid out for themselves the establishment and maintenance not only of a Deaconess and Old Folks Home, but above all, a school where consecrated women may receive their education and training for the Deaconess office in all its departments, if need be, for the whole Church; and with this also a permanent home for Deaconesses and a home for the aged, together with a hospital where such special treatment of the sick which belong to such an institution may be provided for. All this of necessity involves a large outlay of money, and it is fondly hoped that there may be found in the Church not a few who will contribute liberally and speedily to this laudable enterprise.

A Ladies' Auxiliary Society has been organized in the city of Allentown with a membership approaching 300. The object of this Auxiliary is to assist the Board in the maintenance of the Home. It is designed that chapters of this Auxiliary shall be organized in our congregations. The membership fee and the yearly dues of these members is one dollar. Several congregational chapters have been formed and are growing. Much has already been done by the Auxiliary, and it is believed that much more will be accomplished in the future. This organization has proven the fact that Deaconess work appeals strongly to the hearts of the women of the Church, and that they are ready to come to its hearty support when the call comes to them and the opportunity presents itself.

The first Thursday of November of each year has been set apart as the Anniversary Day of the Home, and we hope that it may become a day of blessing.

Of the four young ladies now in course of training, one is from the Pittsburgh Synod, one each from Philadelphia, East Pennsylvania and Lehigh Classes; whilst one of the inmates of the Old Folks Home is from the Potomac Synod.

We commend this institution of mercy to the favorable consideration of this Synod, fully realizing that it is a work well worthy of a cordial recognition and earnest commenda-

tion, as well as the prayerful, moral and financial support of our people.

It is the ardent wish and earnest effort of the Board speedily to place the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home into such a condition that we may feel it our privilege to lay it upon the bosom of the Church by transferring it from the contracting Classes to the Synod, not as additional burden, but much rather as an important and necessary adjunct to her autonomy, by which the universal priesthood of all believers may be the more generally and fully unfolded among us, and in so doing carry forward more successfully all the ministrations of the blessed Gospel among all classes and conditions of our fellows.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. KOPLIN, *President.*

Report of the Special Committee on the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee to whom was referred the communication from Rev. A. B. Koplin, D.D., President of the Board of Trustees of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home, Allentown, Pa., respectfully submits the following resolutions for your adoption:

Resolved, That this Synod has heard with pleasure of the encouraging progress which this institution of mercy has made during this the first year of its existence.

Resolved, That this Synod heartily commends the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home to the confidence and support of our people.

Respectfully submitted,

A. P. KOPLIN,
I. CALVIN FISHER,
R. H. KRAMM.

ARTICLE XXI.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

In response to the 12th item in the report on Overtures, a special committee was appointed, consisting of Revs. John F. Moyer, E. S. Bromer, and Elder M. J. Hess. On Monday

during the morning session the following report was presented and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

Overture Concerning the Division of Synod.

DEAR BRETHREN: Your special committee to whom was referred the overture for the division of Synod, begs leave to report the following action:

Agreeably to Article 84, Section 4, of the Constitution, the committee finds that the overture is irregular.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. F. MOYER, *Chairman.*

For the Preservation of Our Historic Order of Worship.

The following resolution was presented to Synod and adopted:

Resolved, That it be made herewith incumbent upon the Standing Committee on Religious Services that it be and hereby is authorized to make arrangements with the consistory of the church in which Synod convenes to hold its annual session, to celebrate the Holy Communion on the Lord's Day, and that the same be preceded with the customary preparatory service.

ARTICLE XXII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Standing Committee on Nominations, to whom was referred the several vacancies occurring on the several Boards, presented a report on Friday during the afternoon session, which was adopted.

The committee suggested the following nominations:

For Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College: (Two to be voted for.) B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., John D. Skyles.

For Trustee of the Theological Seminary: (One to be voted for.) A. J. Brumbach, John W. Beaver.

For Bi-Synodic Board of Missions: (Six to be voted for.) Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Rev. C. B. Schneder, Rev. Geo. A. Schwedes, Elder J. J. Nissley, Elder C. G. Schaeffer, Rev. Thos. L. Bickel, Rev. W. D. Happel, Elder James T. Reber.

For Board of Publication: (One to be voted for.) John W. Bickel.

Trustees of the Allentown College for Women:

Lehigh Classis.—(Three to be voted for.) Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., Rev. Theo. H. Herman, E. H. Reninger, F. H. Hersh, E. W. Ruhe, W. H. Deshler.

East Pennsylvania Classis.—(Three to be voted for.) Rev. J. F. DeLong, D.D., Rev. W. H. Wotring, Rev. J. G. Rupp, Howard Knecht.

Reading Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Rev. Thos. Dickert, J. B. Fricker.

Schuylkill Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Rev. Geo. W. Hartman, Rev. Z. A. Yearick.

East Susquehanna Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Rev. C. B. Schneder, Rev. I. M. Schaeffer.

Goshenhoppen Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Elder Wm. M. Focht, Rev. I. S. Stahr.

Tohickon Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Rev. E. S. Noll, Jeremiah Hess.

Philadelphia Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Rev. A. S. Dechant, Elder John W. Bickel.

Wyoming Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Elder J. Sweisford, Elder Lange.

West Susquehanna Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Dr. Geo. W. Hosterman, Rev. A. A. Black.

Lancaster Classis.—(One to be voted for.) John H. Landis, Elder Burkholder.

Lebanon Classis.—(One to be voted for.) Rev. I. Calvin Fisher, Mr. Eugene Bowman.

Place of Meeting: Lehighton, Harrisburg.

The Election.

The Standing Committee on Nominations had the tickets printed, which were distributed on Monday at 10 a. m., when, according to the order of the day, the ballot was taken, resulting in the election of B. F. Fackenthal, Jr., and John D. Skyles as Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College; Elder A. J. Brumbach as Trustee of the Theological Seminary; Revs. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., C. B.

Schneder, Elders J. J. Nissley, C. G. Schaeffer and James T. Reber were elected as members of the Bi-Synodic Board of Missions, and John W. Bickel, Esq., as a member of the Board of Publication. The following were duly elected as Trustees of the Allentown College for Women: Rev. S. G. Wagner, D.D., Theodore F. Herman and E. H. Reninger, of Lehigh Classis; Revs. J. F. DeLong, D.D., J. G. Rupp and Howard Knecht, of East Pennsylvania Classis; Thos. W. Dickert, Reading Classis; Geo. W. Hartman, Schuylkill Classis; C. B. Schneder, East Susquehanna Classis; Elder Wm. M. Focht, Goshenhoppen Classis; Jeremiah S. Hess, Tohickon Classis; A. S. Dechant, Philadelphia Classis; Elder J. Sweisford, Wyoming Classis; Dr. Geo. W. Hosterman, West Susquehanna Classis; Hon. John H. Landis, Lancaster Classis; Mr. Eugene Bowman, Lebanon Classis. Lehighton was selected as the place where Synod holds its next annual session.

Report on Minutes of Coetus.

In response to item 10 in report on Minutes of Synod, the Stated Clerk informed Synod that he received reports from ten members appointed a year ago to expedite the sale of the copies of the "Minutes of Coetus" remaining on the shelves of the Reformed Publication Board, which were ordered to be published by the Eastern Synod. The committee was able to report but a partial success in the canvass, as there are yet nearly two hundred copies on hand to be disposed of. The committee was continued. (See Minutes of Synod, 1904, p. 154.)

Pennsylvania Bible Society.

Rev. James Morrow, D.D., Secretary of the Pennsylvania Bible Society, was accorded the courtesy of Synod in presenting the great need of a larger distribution of the Scriptures in our country, not only in the English, but also in quite a number of the foreign languages. The thanks of Synod were tendered him for his interesting address, whereupon Revs. D. K. Laudenslager, Simon Sipple, and Elder J. S. Yeager were appointed a committee to report a suitable Minute. The following report was read and adopted:

Your committee proposes the following action:

Resolved. That Synod hereby heartily commends the work of the Pennsylvania Bible Society, and suggests that pastors and people be requested by the Classes to assist it in its most worthy object of placing the Holy Scriptures in the hands of all people.

Respectfully submitted,

D. K. LAUDENSLAGER, *Chairman.*

Excuses and Leave of Absence.

On Thursday, during the morning session, the President appointed Revs. C. B. Weaver and B. M. Meyer a Committee on Leave of Absence. At the close of the session the following report was presented and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your Committee on Excuses begs leave to report that the following brethren have asked for leave of absence, and we recommend that they be excused:

Rev. J. F. Moyer.	Reading Classis.	Friday all day.
Rev. E. M. Beck.	Wyoming Classis.	Sat. evening to close.
Rev. T. M. Yundt.	Reading Classis.	Sat. evening to close.
Rev. J. W. Reinecke.	Wyoming Classis.	Mon. morning to close.
Rev. S. F. Wenner.	Wyoming Classis.	Mon. morning to close.
Rev. Scott R. Wagner.	Lehigh Classis.	Mon. morning to close.
Rev. H. A. Frantz.	F. Pennsylvania Cl.	Mon. morning to close.
Rev. G. H. Miller.	Philadelphia Cl.	Sat. evening to close.
Rev. P. E. Heimer.	E. Pennsylvania Cl.	Mon. noon to close.
Rev. E. T. Rhodes.	W. Susquehanna Cl.	Mon. morning to close.
Rev. J. F. DeLong, D. D.	E. Pennsylvania Cl.	Mon. noon to close.
Elder Chas. A. Hackman.	Lehigh Classis.	Sat. noon to close.
Elder G. A. Nevin.	E. Susquehanna Cl.	Sat. noon to close.
Elder Geo. W. Hartranft.	Goshenhoppen Cl.	Sat. noon to close.
Elder J. A. Loose.	Lebanon Classis.	Sat. noon to close.
Elder S. Klopp.	Reading Classis.	Sat. noon to close.
Elder H. S. Rinker.	F. Pennsylvania Cl.	Fri. evening to close.
Elder Wm. Z. Styer.	Philadelphia Cl.	Fri. evening to close.
Elder Harry Francis.	Philadelphia Cl.	Fri. evening to close.
Elder D. K. Miller.	W. Susquehanna Cl.	Fri. evening to close.
Elder J. K. Seaman, M. D.	Reading Classis.	Sat. evening to close.
Elder Morris D. Zandt.	Tohickon Classis.	Mon. morning to close.
Elder M. J. Hess.	Tohickon Classis.	Mon. morning to close.
Elder H. L. Gise.	Lancaster Classis.	Mon. morning to close.
Elder J. H. Neidig.	W. Susquehanna Cl.	Mon. noon to close.
Elder P. L. Diener.	Reading Classis.	Mon. noon to close.
Elder Enoch Miller.	W. Susquehanna Cl.	Mon. noon to close.
Elder E. D. Miller.	Lebanon Classis.	Sat. evening to close.

Place and Time of Next Annual Meeting.

Invitations were received, as appears in report on Overtures, from the Reformed church in Lehighton, Pa., and the Second church, Harrisburg, Pa. Synod expressed its choice in the selection of Lehighton, Pa., and decided to hold its next annual session on Wednesday, October 24, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in Zion's Reformed church, Lehighton, Pa.

Reporters to the Press.

At the opening of the session, the President appointed Rev. Samuel H. Stein and Elder C. Nevin Heller as reporters to the press. The committee, at the close of the session, reported that they endeavored faithfully to furnish the daily press with full and accurate reports of Synod's acts and proceedings.

The report was adopted.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were offered and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Synod hereby expresses its gratification in the vigor and promise manifested by the congregation of St. John's church, Williamsport, Pa., and devoutly prays for God's continued favor and blessing upon it.

Resolved, That it hereby extends to pastor and people its most hearty thanks for their cordial hospitality; to the choir for the regular and special music so beautifully rendered during the hours of worship during the sessions of Synod; and to the ladies for the delightful and gracious reception tendered to the members and friends of the Synod.

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk tender the thanks of Synod to the Passenger Trunk Line Association for the privilege granted to its delegates to travel at excursion rates on all competing lines to attend its sessions.

Resolved, That an order be granted on the Treasurer for \$25, in favor of the pastor, for the use of the church and the necessary expenses incurred in behalf of Synod.

The business of the Synod being completed, the roll was called, and the delegates answering to their names were marked present. Those that were absent were excused.

The Minutes of the fifth day of the sessions were read and approved, whereupon the Minutes as a whole were adopted.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ADJOURNMENT.

The following resolution was adopted before adjournment,
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Resolved, That when Synod adjourns finally it be to meet annual session October 24, 1906, at 7.30 p. m., in Zion's Reformed church, Lehighton, Pa.

Synod adjourned finally on Monday, at 4 p. m., October 30, with religious services. The members of Synod assembled in front of the chancel, united in the confession of faith and in the Lord's Prayer. The hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," was sung, and Synod was dismissed with the Apostolic Benediction by the President.

JAMES CRAWFORD, *President*.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Official copy of the original Minutes.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

EAST PENNSYLVANIA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.		Additions.		Losses.				Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.		Minutes Waived.		
			Communicants.	Communed.	Uncommuned.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Com'rs.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.		Scholars.	Beneficent Purposes.
O. J. Becker.....	Catasauqua, Pa.....	Superannuated	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
D. J. Bredle, D.D.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Superannuated	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. E. Smith, D.D.....	Bath, Pa.....	Moore Township	786	521	649	23	23	26	6	8	.....	14	8	71	504	\$425	\$1335
J. W. Smith.....	Effort, Pa.....	Pleasant Valley	730	545	843	29	29	22	12	8	.....	6	16	5	70	536	208
F. W. Moore.....	Womelsdorf, Pa.....	Supt Beth. Or. Home	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilson F. More.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Christ, Bethlehem	530	475	250	20	20	21	55	8	.....	40	17	4	46	464	910
G. A. Schwedes.....	Brodheads ville, Pa.....	Brodheads ville	637	370	475	27	27	54	15	6	.....	.....	12	7	59	445	174
G. F. Laury.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Forks	375	237	175	37	37	.....	7	8	.....	12	9	3	20	150	960
S. O. Weaver.....	Nazareth, Pa.....	Dryland	125	889	659	55	55	52	30	10	.....	25	20	4	50	816	780
H. Wotrung, D.D.....	Parkside, Pa.....	Without charge	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
W. J. Lisberger.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Without charge	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
John F. DeLong, D.D.....	East Stroudsburg, Pa.....	E. Stroudsburg N. S.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
J. L. Kemp, Sec.D.....	Northampton, Pa.....	Grace, Northampton	300	205	106	23	23	13	22	4	.....	17	2	1	51	695	450
B. G. Rupp.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	West Bethlehem	323	257	200	12	12	28	16	2	.....	24	4	2	60	464	255
F. H. Moyer.....	Ten Arty, Pa.....	Plainfield	602	322	158	25	25	52	40	10	.....	.....	6	9	119	615	263
W. H. Brong.....	Bath, Pa.....	Christ, Bath	200	165	158	13	13	18	11	4	.....	5	2	4	20	200	275
W. O. Beltrich.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	St. Paul, Bethlehem	275	202	125	23	23	17	20	5	.....	19	2	1	11	187	95
W. H. Erb.....	Easton, Pa.....	St. Mark's, Easton	436	328	193	7	7	7	16	18	.....	9	2	1	13	420	435
W. H. Sangre.....	Cherryville, Pa.....	Kreidersville	285	245	110	32	32	23	18	8	.....	20	5	1	24	256	185
B. W. Glids.....	Rangor, Pa.....	Rangor	447	410	185	25	25	37	11	5	.....	12	3	5	37	400	278
J. A. Frantz.....	Siegfried, Pa.....	Siegfried	550	248	164	12	12	10	14	7	.....	5	8	4	27	328	254
B. M. Beaver.....	Stroudsburg, Pa.....	Stroudsburg	263	198	100	26	26	10	13	3	.....	15	3	5	48	490	212
J. N. George.....	Bowmans town, Pa.....	Towamensing	139	98	57	3	3	3	20	3	.....	.....	15	2	1	26	81
O. A. Bats.....	Stone Church, Pa.....	Mt. Bethel	427	281	550	39	39	30	8	16	.....	.....	14	3	50	535	257
B. H. Long.....	Bethlehem, Pa.....	Patnettsville	347	270	226	23	23	3	4	0	.....	.....	9	2	3	431	260
H. J. Maret.....	Weaversville, Pa.....	Howertown	567	405	126	18	18	12	20	4	.....	.....	0	2	60	255	261
David Bebelor.....	Allentown, Pa.....	Schoenersville	378	280	194	14	14	29	5	5	.....	8	6	2	32	114	493
F. A. Gath.....	Sciota, Pa.....	Hamilton	190	100	100	25	25	10	6	2	.....	7	7	2	20	200	180
W. H. Miller.....	Tannersville, Pa.....	Tannersville	172	101	.....	7	7	12	4	3	.....	.....	2	2	23	105	55
M. F. Gam.....	Easton, Pa.....	Grace, Easton	246	241	124	51	51	11	4	3	.....	.....	6	6	23	105	183
H. H. Rupp.....	Wellsport, Pa.....	Wellsport	230	100	123	8	8	3	14	5	.....	8	4	2	23	204	242
P. M. Helmer.....	East Mauch Chunk, Pa.....	East Mauch Chunk	210	130	150	27	27	23	28	2	.....	2	4	1	18	225	153
J. M. Freeman.....	Freemansburg, Pa.....	Freemansburg	239	112	08	8	8	8	14	2	.....	.....	1	.....	28	182	80
R. F. Reed.....	Catasauqua, Pa.....	Catasauqua	211	162	145	4	4	20	25	5	.....	8	1	.....	31	217	232
A. P. Frantz.....	Easton, Pa.....	First Church, Easton	410	380	800	10	10	35	21	5	.....	2	3	2	28	247	400
Paul M. Leinbach.....	Lancaster, Pa.....	Asst. Prof. Theo. Sem	534	357	175	10	10	44	41	13	.....	18	7	9	30	290	1089
Ireia H. DeLong, Lio.....	Panton, Pa.....	Alcantilla	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Chas. P. Lorch, Lio.....	.....	.....	87	65	40	14	14	13	6	1	.....	14	2	1	100	66	290

LEBANON CLASSIS.

MINISTERS. POST OFFICE ADDRESS. NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.		Additions.		Losses.		Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.												
			Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Discontinued.	Excommunicated.	Transfer of Name.	Deaths, Com'rs.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Waived.			
Thomas C. Leinbach	Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.	Bernville	0	1400	1370	950	51	4	78	10	25				30	8	4	400	1	\$400	\$10000	25	
Edw. E. Henter	Strawtown, Berks Co., Pa.	Without charge																				1	
Daniel B. Albright	Mohrville, Berks Co., Pa.	Without charge																				1	
James A. Shultz	Harrisburg, Pa.	Without charge																					
Adam J. Bachman	Schaefferstown, Leb. Co., Pa.	Schaefferstown	5	924	674	725	71	8	83	11	47				10	24	17	7	105	1	838	1800	24
Henry J. Welker	Myerstown, Leb. Co., Pa.	Tulpehocken	2	639	554	255	13				26				9	9	3	50	467		223	1200	20
W. J. Kernhafer	115 E. 3d St., Reading, Pa.	Sinking Spring	4	984	878	200	63	4	60	7	27					21	4	82	544	1	462	2435	24
L. D. Stambaugh	Rebersburg, Berks Co., Pa.	Womelsdorf	4	694	553	245	28	1	41	7	9				7	10	4	54	390		223	1515	20
Samuel A. Leinbach	328 N 5th St., Reading, Pa.	St Michael's	1	375	345	150	10									7	2	44	110		185	500	6
D. Earnest Kloppe	Lebanon, Pa.	Without charge																				1	
J. V. George	228 E. 3d St., Reading, Pa.	Allegheny	5	640	500	121	21		23		20				5	8	5	53	235	1	850	1450	12
L. Calvin Fisher	752 Mifflin St., Lebanon, Pa.	St. Mark's	1	781	626	328	54	8	84	46	19				17	10	7	70	1065	1	839	5167	10
U. Henry Hellman	Jonestown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	Retired																					1
W. D. Donat	Jonestown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	Swatara	3	404	331	253	10	1	5	5	7				25	10	1	42	247		331	1578	15
J. Lewis Fluck	Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	Myerstown	1	484	390	97	8	1	10	9	3				13	3	2	45	301		378	2273	10
Edw. E. Bromer	1024 Chestnut St., Lebanon	Tabor, Lebanon	1	815	641	350	33	8	46	85	20					13	7	88	1043	1	1348	3191	15
H. A. Keyser	Fredericksburg, Leb. Co., Pa.	Bethel	4	620	485	400	19	8	21		3					6	2	80	390	1	130	2500	20
William F. DeLong	Annville, Lebanon Co., Pa.	Annville	2	342	300	175	5	1	3	6	7					9		53	353		696	6855	12
V. W. Dippell	931 Willow St., Lebanon, Pa.	St. John's, Lebanon	1	241	174	80	15	1	5	2	5					6	5	25	177	1	1260	2141	10
Henry J. Welker	Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	Grace, Avon	1	172	153	68	10	3	6	2						3	1	50	467		67	325	5
Edw. E. Appel	Hamburg, Berks Co., Pa.	Shanley & Kinsinger	2	178	150	90	8									6	1	18	90		47	450	10
Edwin B. Leinbach	Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.	Asso. Pastor, Bernville													1	8	1	56	306		490	3114	20
Paul J. Dandore	Palmyra, Lebanon Co., Pa.	Campbelltown																					
Frank S. Bromer	1024 Chestnut St., Lebanon	Asst. Tabor, Lebanon																					
Wilson F. More	Womelsdorf, Berks Co., Pa.	Bethany	1	24	23	113					15							8	182		61		2
Henry Moser	D.D., supply Myerstown, Lebanon Co., Pa.	Grace, Richland	1	50	60			1	2	8								25	225		64	1344	4
Joseph H. Schlappig	Richland Center, Berks Co.	Without charge																					
			47	9930	8557	4771	436	51	378	176	224		109	180	76	50	979	7913	8	4592	44748	270	

Students for the ministry under the care of Classis: Daniel D. Brendle, Elmer S. Leinbach, John Lewis, John C. McCurdy, Edwin M. Sando, Paul D. Yoder.
 *Member of Lehigh Classis. †Member of East Penn's Classis. W. D. DONAT, Stated Clerk.

MINISTERS.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Disinherited.	Excommunicated.	Resign. of Name.	Deaths, Com'rs.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	General Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Wanted.
Joe, H. Hendricks, D.D.	Collegeville, Pa.	Collegeville	473	343	1	12	12	11	7	1	88	400	9333	94537	28						
Edward D. Miller	W. Pikeland, Chester Co., Pa.	St. Peter's	53	49	16	3	5	2	1	1	13	43	59	636	6						
James Crawford, D.D.	1714 Mt. Vernon St., Phila.	Christ Ch., Phila.	203	155	23	5	5	16	3	1	12	58	2233	4336	12						
Josiah D. Detrich	West Chester, Pa., R. F. D. 12	Without charge																			
Henry T. Spangler, D.D.	Collegeville, Pa.	Without charge																			
Uriah Weidner	North Wales, Pa.	Without charge																			
David N. Dittmar	Jefferson, Carroll Co., Md.	Field Sec of B. H. M.																			
Jerome B. Henry	1330 9th St. N. W., Wash., D. C.	Without charge																			
Abram S. Stoner	Collegeville, Pa.	Without charge	303	256	2	7	13	3	2	4	34	185	315	1600	16						
David U. Wolff, D.D.	Blue Bell, Pa.	Boehm's		53																	
Henry F. Selpie	Lansdale, Pa.	Without charge																			
Joseph F. Butler	Collegeville, Pa.	Without charge																			
Cyrus J. Munser, D.D.	1305 Arch St., Philadelphia	Ed. Ref. Ch. Mem'r.																			
Wm. A. Long, Ph.D.	3015 Arch St., Philadelphia	Without charge	503	661	175	7	27	31	25	27	45	810	180	7350	16						
Wm. O. Eastman, D.D.	1815 Oxford St., Philadelphia	Heidelberg	333	250	49	2	13	11	7	7	24	156	803	2574	16						
Edwin O. Hiebman	2156 N. 21st St., Philadelphia	Bethany Tabernacle	173	148	11	7	22	39	7	8	24	263	164	5408	20						
Edwin Delaney	135 W. 13th St., N. Y. City	Without charge																			
George H. Miller	Pottstown, Pa.	Shenkel's	133	104	54	1	2	6			22	141	86	885	9						
Charles B. Alsopach	2133 E. 13th St., Philadelphia	Messiah	271	201	106	16	1	14	10	15	35	267	160	4354	13						
Charles A. Dechant	6512 Ellwood Ave., Phila.	Oak Lane	61	54	27	2	4	8	3	20	19	108	444	3408	12						
Abner A. Santet	Fort Washington, Pa.	St. Paul's White Mch	227	170	98	4	1	2	1	3	15	107	205	2307	16						
Charles H. Hiebman, Ph.D.	Lindfeld, Pa.	St. Vincent	130	100	47	4	1	3	1	1	14	140	70	513	15						
A. A. " supply	Lindfeld, Pa.	Lindfeld	85	71	4	1	3				17	159	1408	4440	15						
Albert A. Brower	11th & Huntingdon Sts., Phila.	Grace	155	690	148	21	25	27	17	11	17	204	35	1100	9						
Morgan A. Peters	2233 Tasker St., Philadelphia	Bethel	74	47	50	15	10	13	3	11	17	204	35	1100	9						
Edward F. West	1208 Wallace St., Philadelphia	First, Phila.	490	387	97	15	4	23	10	9	36	314	706	3340	12						
Harry E. Jones	937 N. 60th St., Philadelphia	Palatinate	230	202	87	23	7	24	14	14	37	409	304	3261	9						
Franklin H. Fisher	2617 N. 20th St., Philadelphia	Calvary	160	100	85	18	2	26	3	4	35	449	130	2174	10						
Charles H. Slingboff	Spring City, R. D. No. 1	Brownback's	313	274	59	3	5	8	9	12	37	333	313	2161	17						
Woodward W. Middleton	3345 N. Sydenham, Phila.	Toga	173	152	80	9	11	9	9	12	37	333	224	2624	14						
Calvin D. Foxt	Bureks, Pa.	Pleasantville	303	236	75	7	4	10	8	2	31	253	576	2331	9						
Samuel O. Sult	Anselma, Pa.	St. Matthew's	223	157	37	6	6	1	2	1	31	253	114	2614	18						
Harry W. Bright	Norristown, Pa.	Ascension	323	200	85	10	2	10	12	1	40	273	815	3709	16						
Samuel Bates	Norristown, Pa.	Christ Ch., Norristown	222	192	68	17	8	15	5	2	32	270	340	2403	10						
J. M. B. Iacobberg, B.D.	1541 N. 9th St., Philadelphia	Trinity, Phila.	523	378	73	15	1	21	27	33	60	402	3416	6383	18						
A. O. Belter	North Wales, Pa.	St. Luke's, N. Wales	203	180	73	15	1	9	3	1	23	240	470	1741	20						
Thomas L. Eichel	Spring City, Pa.	First Ch., Spring City	453	368	94	23	11	30	8	4	40	636	551	3548	18						
Stephen Virag	733 N. 41st., Philadelphia	St. John's, Phila.	340	274	101	5	2	25	10	2	24	273	413	1703	18						
Arthur C. Thompson	Trenton, N. J.	Hungarian, Trenton	200	170	28	42	8			0	2	23	80	1073	18						
Howard M. Bodder	Norristown, Pa.	Trinity, Norristown	303	274	117	20	14	11	2	3	40	413	641	2093	12						
	221 Gay St., Phoenixville	St. John's, Phoenixville	226	147	1	4	14	11	2	3	20	308	305	1463	19						

LANCASTER CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.		Additions.			Lowers.			Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.		Ministries Wanted.	
			Communicants.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Discontinued.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Com'm.	Deaths, Uncl'd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Students for Ministry.		Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purpose.
Theodore Appel, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Author	139	57	100	2	4	9	5		1	17	53	\$144	\$235	0
Isaac H. Grief, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Retired	121	53	60	3	3	3	3		1	15	37	123	335	3
John M. Tittel, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Pastor Emeritus, latCh	98	37	26			1						221	135	6
John H. Dubbs, D.D., LL.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. F. & M. College	300	200	93	5	11	16	5		12	27	302	355	1454	3
Frederick A. Gast, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. Theo Sem.	330	300	125	12			4		12	10	200	52	400	2
A. Carl Whitmer	Lancaster, Pa.	Supt. of Missions	200	100	60	6					4	12	200	13	200	2
John G. Noss	New Holland, Pa.	Zeitenreich's	100	30	25	3	1		1		1	9	90	8	150	3
New Holland Charge		St. Stephen's	50	24	15	4	1				1	8	60		100	2
Darius W. Gerhard, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	St. Paul's	100	120	50	1	7	8	3		3	15	70	155	700	
Stephen Schweitzer	Ephrata, Pa.	Salem, Rohrerstown	465	297	157	14	9	19	11		19	47	376	1754	3000	20
Muddy Creek Charge		Balem	195	170	130	12	2	7	8		4	24	176	205	1443	12
Tilghman Derr	Lancaster, Pa.	Fourth	50	56	13	1		2	10		5	3	25	525	109	5
Ellis N. Krenner, D.D.	Harrisburg, Pa.	St. Stephen's	370	235		20	3	15	3		3	20	250	301	1630	14
Milton H. Sangre	Harrisburg, Pa.	Trinity														
John B. Stahr, D.D., LL.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Without charge														
Jon. H. Pannebecker, D.D.	Columbia, Pa.	St. Luke's	247	211	377	30	8	36	4		7	44	463	210	1010	12
James O. Dengler	Maytown, Pa.	Miss. to Japan	181	135	35	4	3	10	1		2	20	78	178	940	25
Wm. F. Lehliter	Lancaster, Pa.	Zion's														
Jairus P. Moore, D.D.	Millersville, Pa.	Disabled														
Thomas S. Land	Lancaster, Pa.	Miss. to Japan														
Newton J. Miller	Reamstown, Pa.	Salem	50	48	98	2		5			2	21	63	54	150	10
David B. Schneider, D.D.	Reamstown, Pa.	St. John's	94	76	90	4	3	4	7		3	30	165	90	200	12
Jairus A. Wickett	Centre, Pa.	St. John's	160	128	78	1		2	2		3	25	95	141	550	20
Reamstown Charge	Bowmanville, Pa.	St. Paul's	124	114	80	3	3	4			1	22	153	104	225	20
Theodore O. DeLyre	Berlin, Germany 35 W	Without charge														
W. W. Meninger, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	St. Paul's	398	560	300	10	23	40	24		6	61	601	1045	1800	16
George F. Moll	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. F. & M. College														
Richard C. Schlett, Ph.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Maytown	144	112	88	3	3	17	12		1	17	125	150	905	10
Samuel H. Dietzel, Ph.D.	Maytown, Pa.	Christ	257	201	65	7	5	7	9		2	24	130	233	5200	12
Samuel M. Meyer	Elizabethtown, Pa.	Second Church	347	233	150	16	6	21	23		4	30	237	300	6500	20
Benry Nelson Basler	Harrisburg, Pa.	Zion's	205	111	60	15	4	9	3		6	18	165		1300	10
William Yenser	Marietta, Pa.	Bethany	121	101	40	5	7	14	7		2	17	160	30	1500	
Edward H. Spahn	Ephrata, Pa.	Jerusalem	87	70	33	5	1	10	7			21	145	14	205	
Shady Charge	White Oak, Pa.	Zion's	42	24	18			1			2			3	300	

EAST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.			Additional.			Losses.			Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.						
			Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Disseminated.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Comm'n.	Deaths, Unrec'd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.		Scholars.	Gratuities for Ministry.	General Expenses.	Congregational Purposes.		
Blanco P. Brown.	Pillow, Pa.	Uniontown	4	440	345	320	31	4	18	9	3	14	10	11	4	..	1	4215	8000	20		
Charles E. Schneider.	Shamokin, Pa.	Shamokin	1	1060	760	876	132	4	72	9	10	26	11	13	3	85	1191	1577	6310	25		
Imaac M. Schaeffer.	Ashland, Pa.	Ashland	1	608	517	450	48	..	54	20	11	17	10	3	1	83	371	618	3083	15		
Oliver F. Schaeffer.	Hegins, Pa.	Deep Creek	6	417	354	181	86	..	30	1	5	..	7	2	6	58	315	278	1254	20		
Laton M. Fetterolf.	Lykens, Pa.	T. Cy & Lykens	2	240	192	140	41	5	26	7	7	..	4	9	2	27	252	181	2347	12		
Jonathan W. Buck.	738 E. 171st St., New York.	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
George S. Bnts.	Patuxon, Pa.	Patuxon-Ang.	6	325	250	175	25	1	5	12	15	10	10	6	4	28	264	149	1506	25		
Clement D. Kresmer.	Leck Kill, Pa.	Line Mountain	7	528	372	430	61	..	30	10	1	..	4	13	9	50	450	250	1000	26		
Montgomery M. Fryer.	Ariel, Wayne Co., Pa.	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Albert Genser.	Mt. Carmel, Pa.	Mt. Carmel	1	250	223	159	28	..	16	35	7	18	1	3	1	26	278	194	2200	9		
Robert O'Boyle.	Sunbury, Pa.	Sunbury	1	410	345	300	9	1	7	21	7	..	7	6	1	28	350	540	2980	12		
J. Alvin Heber.	Mainville, Pa.	Mainville	3	152	106	48	17	8	10	7	6	4	5	2	1	9	60	54	525	13		
George W. Royer.	Ringtown, Pa.	Ringtown	4	421	330	285	43	..	15	4	4	..	9	5	4	..	..	221	2175	34
Irwin M. Bachman.	Newlin, Pa.	Newlin	3	427	359	206	19	1	20	6	6	..	4	5	3	32	410	490	1357	20		
John Ullaky.	..	Hungarian Miss.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Alfred M. Schaeffer.	Catawissa, Pa.	Catawissa	1	142	112	96	6	2	12	7	2	..	..	2	1	18	126	259	1042	9
James N. Blatt.	Mahanoy, Pa.	Mahanoy	5	413	394	173	15	1	46	3	9	..	8	1	5	53	410	308	5143	25		
Calvin P. Wehr.	Klimbethville, Pa.	Lykens Valley	4	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	200	25	..	10
A. Genser, supply.	Mt. Carmel, Pa.	Hope Congregation	1	30	26	21	2	..	16	..	..	..	..	..	1	10	45	6	80	2
Vacant.	..	McAdoo Miss.	2	61	..	..	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	10
Vacant.	..	Millersburg	1	350	..	222	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	2	..	..	..	300	12
Vacant.	..	St. David's	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Geo. E. Kopenhaver.	..	Lancaster	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
			54	6224	4888	4085	384	16	277	148	98	..	90	80	31	47	456	4761	3	\$4215	\$32884	260

*Licentiate Geo. E. Kopenhaver is commissioned to McAdoo. †Millersburg charge was divided. No separate statistics at hand. ‡In vacant charges statistics are incomplete.

J. A. REMBER, Stated Clerk.

WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Members.			Additions.			Leaves.			Sunday-Schools.			Contributions.		Students for Ministry.	Ministers Wanted.
			Congregational.	Communion.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Resign. Com'rs.	Deaths, Etc'd.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Bequest for Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.		
D. M. Wolf, D.D.	Spring Mills, Pa.	Prin. S. M. Acad.	5	456	228	10	1	1	1	3	..	..	..	..	9450	..	..	..
W. W. Glaser	White Deer, Pa.	Without charge	5	445	389	10	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. A. Haas	Sellingrove, Pa.	Sellingrove	4	429	342	24	..	1	8	3	..	..	..	..	311	1700	10	10
W. A. Black	Bonaburg, Pa.	Bonaburg	1	301	250	6	2	16	13	6	..	..	..	..	402	2000	13	13
James M. Rankle	Williamport, Pa.	Williamport	..	..	100	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
James W. Kerbner	Beaver Spring	Beaver Spring	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
George I. Crow	Nittany Valley	Nittany Valley	5	466	428	30	4	28	23	11	..	..	..	..	371	1175	23	23
W. E. Roy	Habersburg, Pa.	Habersburg	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Frank Wetzel	Yocow, Hunan, China	Yocow	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. O. Speer	Rebersburg, Pa.	Rebersburg	5	481	380	15	..	11	7	15	..	..	..	..	445	1350	24	24
L. L. Gerhart, D.D.	Middleburg, Union Co., Pa.	Middleburg	1	84	324	10	..	9	5	5	..	..	..	..	7207	1235	12	12
James M. Schmidt	Lewistown, Pa.	Lewistown	2	252	212	55	..	10	15	15	..	..	..	..	201	3441	12	12
James W. Albertson	Belleville, Center Co., Pa.	Belleville	3	286	249	146	..	11	13	10	..	..	..	..	763	1339	13	13
James T. Rhodes	Laureton, Union Co., Pa.	Laureton	1	130	117	54	7	..	4	5	..	..	..	..	121	902	17	17
Joseph M. Bean	Lewistown, Mifflin Co., Pa.	Trinity (S. T. N.)	3	302	153	150	0	23	48	3	..	..	..	..	90	1255	10	10
James M. Mengel	Montgomery, Lycom. Co., Pa.	Susquehanna	4	302	270	118	15	21	13	37	..	..	..	..	132	751	12	12
James E. Stine	Center Hall, Center Co., Pa.	Center Hall	5	302	278	286	15	19	9	4	..	..	..	..	553	1212	24	24
James M. Mengel	Aaronburg, Center Co., Pa.	Aaronburg	5	443	343	190	21	14	9	5	..	..	..	..	406	870	34	34
James M. Mengel	New Berlin, Union Co., Pa.	New Berlin	7	255	230	130	33	20	6	1	..	..	..	..	412	1004	36	36
James M. Mengel	Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.	Liverpool	1	324	283	170	31	32	22	11	..	..	..	..	223	1065	30	30
James M. Mengel	Lock Haven, Clinton Co., Pa.	Lock Haven	4	324	283	133	17	10	30	16	..	..	..	..	305	1487	28	28
James M. Mengel	West Milton, Union Co., Pa.	Whitewater	5	500	402	201	26	1	23	3	..	..	..	..	341	1100	25	25
James M. Mengel	Beaver Springs, Snyder Co., Pa.	Beaver Springs	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
James M. Mengel	Norristown, Pa.	Norristown	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
			42	5399	5134	3005	304	28	244	173	..	120	14	25	601	12551	2	2
																		227000

WM. A. JIAAM, Stated Clerk.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Baptism or Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicate.	Transfer of Name.	Deaths, Com'm.	Deaths, Ex'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Rebaptism.	Graduates for M.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purpose.	Minutes Weeks	
Jacob Kohn	Bellertown, Pa.	Tobleron	468	443	257	18	1	0	1	0	0	4	12	3	49	368	8	\$384	\$1400	90	
H. E. Snyder, D.D.	South Bethlehem, Pa.	Saltbury	103	75	33	12	0	0	0	0	0	2	2	1	25	171	0	50	165	8	
Franklin J. Mohr	Quakertown, Pa.	St. John's	232	193	75	7	0	0	2	10	0	18	4	0	10	380	0	375	534	12	
A. B. Koplin, D.D.	Hellertown, Pa.	Lower Saucon	680	503	262	24	1	14	0	8	0	0	9	0	105	644	2	843	2740	22	
B. B. Feyer, D.D.	Hellertown, Pa.	Hellertown	330	263	85	2	1	7	0	7	0	0	2	0	43	206	1	2450	1466	12	
Jacob J. Rothrock	Lansdale, Pa.	Lansdale	328	308	70	7	3	4	12	3	0	3	6	1	25	230	0	325	1964	10	
Jacob G. Dabbs	Coopersburg, Pa.	Friedensville	1076	698	545	43	2	81	14	13	0	32	8	0	40	370	1	1223	2026	22	
Alfred P. Horn	Hellertown, Pa.	Springfield	551	373	200	28	1	45	4	6	0	4	11	0	21	155	1	198	1075	21	
H. F. Long, D.D.	Frenchtown, N. J.	Timonium	243	235	130	11	0	2	0	10	0	4	11	0	30	200	1	70	700	14	
Charles B. Weaver	Perkasie, Pa.	Nockamixon	597	470	277	22	1	16	8	6	0	13	11	4	54	336	0	2395	1085	18	
R. F. Larkins	Gouderton, Pa.	Indian Creek	665	563	345	20	11	36	11	7	0	1	4	10	20	412	0	598	1751	20	
William H. Mader	Ruston, Pa.	South Easton	311	220	165	11	0	8	0	1	0	15	3	0	27	160	0	300	1850	15	
James Riley Betsey	Doylstown, Pa.	Doylstown	345	303	136	14	12	26	25	4	0	0	3	0	34	328	0	261	2738	12	
John A. Merz	Durham, Pa.	Durham	492	340	205	12	0	16	5	2	0	0	7	0	37	280	0	308	1400	19	
John O. Lindaman	Perkasie, Pa.	Hilltown	332	276	200	13	0	16	0	23	0	0	4	0	24	221	0	300	1079	21	
H. A. J. Benner	Richland Center, Pa.	Trumbauersville	672	560	37	15	0	16	8	18	0	5	18	0	74	373	0	244	2087	24	
Elmer B. Noll	Perkasie, Pa.	Perkasie	320	316	285	15	6	18	40	1	0	8	0	1	40	440	2	421	3530	8	
Karl A. Stein	Sellersville, Pa.	Sellersville	335	296	120	8	2	13	15	3	0	0	4	0	33	420	3	184	1472	13	
David B. Clark	South Bethlehem, Pa.	South Bethlehem	519	408	375	29	2	49	65	5	0	88	4	0	57	409	0	304	3711	12	
Irwin O. Schell	Quakertown, Pa.	Quakertown	432	393	156	18	2	14	46	6	0	4	4	0	20	305	0	408	2028	12	
J. O. Lindaman, supply	Perkasie, Pa.	Hatfield	38	36	17	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	21	105	0	31	233	6	
Mavis M. Hartman	Lancaster, Pa.	Lancaster	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
G. Harry Kohn	Sellersville, Pa.	Lancaster	10	9126	7500	4045	353	45	374	271	121	191	271	121	191	125	53	49	839	6773	14
																		\$11586	\$3727	1335	

GOSHENHOPPEN CLASSIS.

N. Z. SNYDER, Stated Clerk.

L. Kryder Evans, D.D.	Pottstown, Pa.	Trinity, Pottstown	1	750	632	530	42	4	28	10	20	23	25	96	718	9001	\$5316	13	
Simon M. E. Hober	630 Belgrade St., Phila.	Without charge																	
Ed Keller, D.D.	1312 Chew St., Allentown	Without charge																	
Isaac B. Stahr	Oley, Pa.	Oley	4	787	680	370	57	1	33	5	8	2	15	4	37	233	685	3023	13
Charles A. Weland	Pottstown, Pa.	St. John's, Pottstown	1	487	300	260	14	1	11	0	7	1	7	3	1	36	418	1124	12
J. Lottan Roub	Sunnytown, Pa.	Old Goshenhoppen	3	702	542	543	31	4	43	12	6	1	16	6	54	280	771	1472	12
George W. Roth	Boyetown, Pa.	Swamp-Ambly	3	547	400	194	21	0	0	6	17	2	18	2	106	510	870	2077	15
William E. Frantz	Schwenksville, Pa.	Schwenksville	2	401	317	288	8	0	8	6	3	15	4	2	45	288	300	8333	17
Orville M. DeLong	Old Zionsville, Pa.	Zionsville	3	761	619	490	36	0	28	7	12	1	3	5	38	257	828	1557	20
Calvin K. Laudenslager	East Greenville, Pa.	New Goshenhoppen	2	631	768	518	37	0	45	13	8	9	17	15	1	48	892	2805	18
Danilo W. Kochenderfer	Worcester, Pa.	Wentz's	2	438	408	227	9	23	43	8	3	0	9	3	1	25	442	4023	18
Harry W. Lutz	Royersford, Pa.	Royersford	1	180	107	103	6	1	8	13	6	8	3	1	20	232	165	1427	11
George O. Oswald	Pennsburg, Pa.	Pennsburg	3	520	435	210	17	4	28	84	6	12	3	3	52	371	407	2650	12
James O. Greenwald	Spinnersburg, Pa.	G. Swamp, Chest. Hill	2	578	496	209	6	0	6	17	13	5	0	2	43	393	597	2199	12
Charles E. Roth, Lds.	Boyetown, Pa.	Boyetown	1	400	342	360	2	1	28	21	1	4	1	1	41	381	732	2797	15
Charles F. Freeman, Lic.	Boyetown, Pa.																		
East Mauch Chunk, Pa.																			
			27	7591	6237	4276	280	44	308	160	109	1	41	149	650	4957	98979	\$31805	2025

Discontinued May 30, 1906, at annual meeting, and dismissed to Classis of Lancaster, Eastern Synod.

W. W. WYMAN, Stated Clerk.

SCHUYLKILL CLASSIS.

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W. D. STOYER, Stated Clerk.

WYOMING CLASSIS.

MINISTERS. POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.

MINISTERS.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.		NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.		Members.		Additions.		Losses.				Sunday-Schools.		Contributions.		Minutes Wanted.				
						Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Pledge.	Discharged.	Recommunicated.	Deaths, Com'rs.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.		Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
Boots	Orangeville, Pa.	Orangeville	4	314	251	72	3	5	7	2	12	8	4	40	205	..	\$224	\$1085	12			
A. O. Meckel	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	Retired	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
B. M. Maenbelmer, Ph.D	Weatherly, Pa.	Weatherly	3	385	230	250	26	..	18	27	10	4	4	32	425	..	370	1000	12	..	..	..
A. B. Kerchner	Freeland, Pa.	Freeland	2	500	308	286	30	1	35	8	5	..	..	..	..	..	555	1598	20	..	..	..
J. W. Ebert, D.D.	Collegeville, Pa.	Fres Ursinus College	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
D. W. E. Biegel	York, Pa.	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
C. H. Herbst	West Hasleton, Pa.	Christ's Memorial	1	110	60	125	27	1	..	23	8	12	1	24	160	..	95	3200	12	..	..	..
C. E. Stodiet	Hasleton, Pa.	Emanuel, Hasleton	1	478	265	200	26	..	10	22	11	6	3	24	425	..	531	2347	12	..	..	..
S. D. Happel, Ph.D.	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	Zion's	1	435	273	285	18	..	21	11	4	10	3	30	258	..	405	2450	12	..	..	..
W. H. Loose	Selinsgrove, Pa.	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
W. H. Herbst	Wapwallopen, Pa.	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
A. W. Bell	Strawberry Ridge, Pa.	Wapwallopen	6	493	304	317	36	..	44	12	4	..	..	..	..	..	329	1400	32	..	..	..
J. William Toennes	Hasleton, Pa.	Emmanuel	2	300	200	130	5	..	6	6	5	1	2	32	240	..	338	1021	15	..	..	..
W. Belnecke	St. John's, Pa.	Grace, Hasleton	1	540	337	345	28	..	34	30	2	1	10	33	420	..	250	4458	8	..	..	..
J. D. Thomas, Ph.D	Bloomsburg, Pa.	St. John's	1	428	230	250	27	..	15	2	1	9	3	57	555	..	324	925	12	..	..	..
J. D. Lereb	Danville, Pa.	Bloomsburg	1	204	162	53	8	..	4	8	1	..	..	..	..	..	229	1774	12	..	..	..
M. L. Flor	Scranton, Pa.	Maudale	2	220	170	78	9	8	16	11	4	4	4	33	204	..	305	1080	12	..	..	..
F. H. Hoover	Deabore, Pa.	Calvary	1	118	92	50	4	2	6	10	2	4	1	9	96	..	115	900	10	..	..	..
O. E. Correll	Conyngham, Pa.	Overton	3	265	127	178	14	2	1	..	11	..	..	..	..	..	205	875	8	..	..	..
J. O. Stem	Turbotville, Pa.	Conyngham	3	317	217	217	35	..	16	3	4	4	15	64	467	..	261	835	21	..	..	..
E. M. Beck	Watsonstown, Pa.	Paradise	2	357	238	125	19	1	20	7	7	10	5	44	175	..	385	1165	17	..	..	..
C. H. Mutchler	Wilkes-Barre, Pa.	Watsontown	2	325	235	84	7	1	13	15	10	18	5	3	40	231	..	245	1500	16	..	..
W. H. Hoch	341 Locust St., Steelton, Pa.	St. Luke's, W-Barre	1	87	80	96	16	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	82	734	8	..	..	..
John K. Adams	Berwick, Pa.	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Edw. G. Petri	Fayette, N. Y.	Berwick	3	164	149	116	16	5	33	25	5	4	2	21	190	..	161	811	12	..	..	..
W. H. Herbst	Nanticoke, Pa.	Fayette	1	95	45	60	1	1	2	1	5	..	..	..	..	..	77	802	8	..	..	..
A. P. Stinebrey	West Hasleton, Pa.	Nanticoke	1	110	85	86	6	..	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	75	1471	4	..	..	..
O. E. Muellerman, Lic	Overton, Pa.	W. Hasleton	1	170	115	..	12	1	12	23	2	4	1	25	140	..	54	1006	12	..	..	..
Vacant	Milton, Pa.	Milton	1	416	291	195	6	3	5	7	9	1	5	25	245	1	..	490	1464	12	..	..
Vacant	Plymouth, Pa.	Plymouth	1	172	102	110	10	..	5	4	..	25	4	7	76	..	75	700	7	..	..	..
Vacant	Danville, Pa.	Danville	1	262	200	180	17	..	13	7	6	..	..	..	..	..	725	1773	20	..	..	..
				7208	5189	918	409	20	246	274	123	121	110	46	740	4085	1	64030	\$10985	304	O. H. Muellerman, Sec'y.	

O. H. Stenmett, Stated Clerk.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	Congregations.	Communicants.	Communed.	Uncommuned.	Infant Baptism	Adult Baptisms	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Pledge.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Com'ls	Deaths, Un'ed	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for MI.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Waste.		
B. Bauman, D.D.	222 N. 6th St., Reading, Pa	St. Paul	1	847	605	230	11	3	23	25	13	..	7	2	1	68	643	..	\$6647	\$5180	14	
Henry H. Stoner	Reading, Pa.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. K. Binkley	Reading, Pa.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. I. Good, D.D.	Reading, Pa.	Calvary	1	440	410	121	16	1	21	35	12	..	4	..	1	61	603	2	522	2684	14	
S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.	228 S. 6th St., Reading, Pa.	Second	1	761	557	118	9	5	19	27	20	..	12	1	1	50	237	..	7241	5123	16	
Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Reading, Pa.	St. Thomas	1	382	523	200	60	2	35	26	22	..	20	7	1	71	506	..	207	2228	8	
Henry K. Miller	Japan	Miss to Japan	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Geo. W. Gerhard	Hamburg, Pa.	First Reformed	1	340	320	200	22	..	17	5	..	..	3	14	1	36	401	..	312	1800	10
D. P. Lefevre	Reading, Pa.	Retired	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
R. W. Miller, D.D.	Philadelphia	Gen. Sec S. S. Board	1	628	528	250	21	..	..	8	7	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Jan. R. Brown	Esterly, Pa.	Schwartzwald	1	371	345	307	40	4	..	10	23	6	3	21	238	1	1000	1174	12
M. L. Herbel	1818 Peck Ave., Reading, Pa	Spies	1	85	75	60	6	..	5	..	3	..	6	1	1	19	112	..	26	1806	6	
M. L. Herbel	1818 Peck Ave., Reading, Pa.	Trinity	1	583	544	253	41	1	13	13	6	..	..	1	1	38	340	..	12	516	4
D. M. Schaeffer	West Leasport, Pa.	Leasport	4	953	730	600	70	2	51	77	9	..	3	5	9	100	1041	1	240	1712	12	
O. E. Schaeffer	201 W Oley St., Reading, Pa	St. Mark	1	953	730	600	70	2	51	77	9	..	..	..	..	..	..	389	12660	13	
C. E. Greits	532 Buttonwood, Reading, Pa.	Asst. St. Paul	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Paul I. Deppen	Reading, Pa	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
H. H. Banck	1431 Perkiomen, Reading, Pa	St. Andrew	1	921	706	483	41	6	63	47	16	..	33	7	5	1	98	639	1744	7616	13	
William E. Harr	152 Walnut, Reading, Pa.	Faith & St. James	2	233	235	173	29	..	20	22	4	..	6	3	5	2	93	603	268	2577	14	
T. W. Dickert	765 N. 11th, Reading, Pa.	St. Stephen	1	1612	775	560	54	2	45	60	5	..	13	4	13	1	70	1034	775	6969	12	
H. B. Reagle	Reading, Pa.	Asst. Calvary	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
J. F. Moyer	Reading, Pa	First Reformed	1	1179	960	530	32	4	78	59	12	..	19	6	1	84	1245	1	2305	4902	16	
Thos. H. Leinbach	911 Chestnut, Reading, Pa	St. John	1	543	414	376	30	3	30	84	9	..	7	11	4	1	56	431	484	2752	14	
H. J. Leinbach	152 Walnut, Reading, Pa	Olivet	1	67	72	48	6	..	0	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	112	985	8	
H. M. Yundt	210 Windsor, Reading, Pa.	Alsace	3	1100	932	..	30	1	55	30	8	..	9	5	2	31	248	..	339	2345	20	
Thos. Knoll, Lic.	Philadelphia	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Lloyd Herbel	..	Bern	1	300	275	100	12	..	..	..	..	..	8	10	1	16	100	..	..	..
M. J. Leinbach	..	Epie's	1	325	280	75	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	1	14	164	..	221	430	..
H. J. Leinbach, supply	27	11180	9213	4806	334	30	462	532	155	..	118	157	99	51	1008	9541	7	\$25065	\$45334	203

S. R. BRIDENBAUGH, Stated Clerk.

Total Statistical Summary of Eastern Synod for the Year A. D., 1905.

CLASSES.

CLASSES.	MEMBERS.				ADDITIONS.				LOSSES.				SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CONTRIBUTIONS.				
	Lecturers.	Minist'rs.	Congregations.	Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Resign'd. Com'rs.	Deaths, Un'ed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Renewal Pur-pose.	Congregational Purposes.	
1. East Pennsylvania ..	2	30	50	12794	91151	9727	678	19	643	337	1894	807	225	101	71	1349	10534	5	\$0,895 00	\$403,670 00
2. Lebanon ..		24	47	9030	8337	4711	430	53	378	170	224	109	149	76	50	979	7013	8	8,002 00	47,438 00
3. Philadelphia ..		41	36	9103	7316	1042	321	127	391	440	209	180	97	41	30	958	5923	1	15,313 00	87,890 00
4. Lancaster ..		44	53	8579	6344	3179	321	180	449	200	126	37	150	73	47	880	7248	6	8,747 00	56,582 00
5. East Susquehanna ..		18	54	6224	4888	4085	384	16	377	148	93	98	86	81	47	458	4701	3	4,914 00	32,813 00
6. West Susquehanna ..		23	62	5809	3174	2095	304	29	248	234	179	180	94	20	60	901	5253	2	10,651 00	27,039 00
7. Tohickon ..		20	46	9126	7509	4639	353	43	374	271	121	191	126	31	40	870	6773	14	11,680 00	37,127 00
8. Gettysburg ..		15	27	7391	6237	4279	290	44	309	109	109	1	41	81	30	650	4037	2	9,979 00	31,308 00
9. Lehigh ..		37	65	17095	11440	6946	917	27	914	728	223	380	253	170	60	1120	13057	10	14,081 00	12,622 00
10. Schuylkill ..		16	34	6761	4512	3619	480	6	313	192	116	136	146	80	82	597	4923	1	4,644 00	31,643 00
11. Wyoming ..		27	46	3306	5189	912	409	29	349	274	132	131	110	63	50	700	4382	1	6,529 00	16,882 00
12. Reading ..		28	25	11180	9263	4859	634	30	402	532	1554	116	157	100	31	1008	9541	7	25,065 00	66,334 00
Total..	11	334	548	106378	87510	50317	5423	604	5214	3972	1876	1	1383	1703	545	10405	10697	68	\$130,367 00	\$572,427 00

Total Statistical Summary of Reformed Church in the United States for 1905.

NAMES OF SYNODS.	Stated Clerks.	Members.			Additions.			Losses.					A. Schools.			Contributions.			
		No. of Ministers.	No. of Congregations.	Unconfirmed.	Confirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Continued.	Certif. of Renew. of Profession.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Resign'd. Name.	Deaths Unrec'd.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
Eastern.....	J. Ph Stein, Reading, Pa.....	329	648	10873	98510	51087	5214	3972	1876	1	1908	1703	980	665	10405	90367	59	\$130,367 00	\$572,427 00
Ohio.....	H. L. Beam, Carrollton, O.....	143	283	27488	21450	5214	1218	107	689	..	391	357	76	204	3297	23519	17	41,140 00	163,807 00
Synod of N. W.....	J. J. Jaquet, Sheboygan, Wis.....	178	230	24575	17811	15307	1237	910	380	38	711	243	170	217	1596	18388	42	23,068 00	142,979 00
Pittsburg.....	J. H. Mickle, Johnston, Pa.....	98	150	20004	17453	10847	1043	844	434	4	403	342	189	143	1799	13510	8	41,208 00	138,000 00
.....	W. H. Theobald, Woodbury, Md.....	109	110	40074	31927	97007	1644	1999	819	5	407	503	261	268	4390	27664	28	60,404 00	286,923 00

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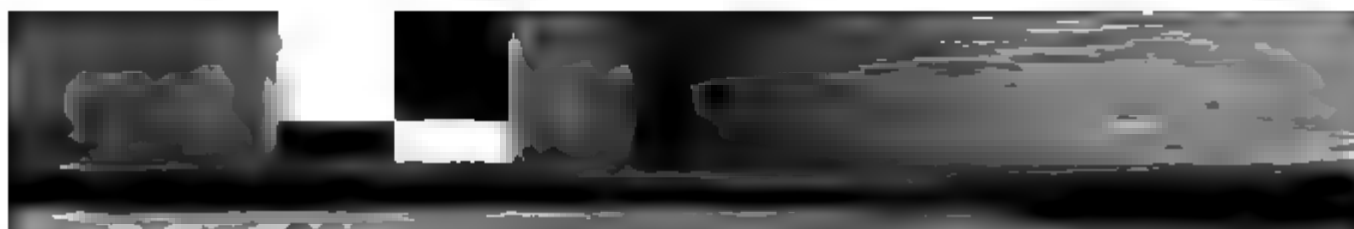
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Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

AT ITS ANNUAL SESSION HELD IN LEHIGHTON, PA., IN THE
MONTH OF OCTOBER, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD
ONE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND SIX.

The session began on October 24th, and continued until
Monday, October 29th; adjourning at 9 p. m.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Eastern Synod convened in Zion's Reformed church
on Wednesday, October 24th, A. D. 1906, at 7:30 p. m. The
session was opened with religious service, conducted by Revs.
J. L. Fluck and H. M. J. Klein.

The sermon was preached by the President, Rev. Dr. James
Crawford, from the text recorded in St. Luke 10: 37: "Then
said Jesus unto them, go and do likewise."

At the close of the service, the pastor *loci*, Rev. D. A. Win-
ters, extended the hospitality of his people to the members of
Synod, to which the President fittingly responded.

The provisional roll was called by the Stated Clerk and the
delegates present marked in attendance. A quorum being
present, the President declared Synod ready for business.

Rev. Dr. E. N. Kremer, of Harrisburg, Pa., was elected
President for the current Synodical year and Rev. Dr. S. L.
Whitmore, of Pottsville, Vice-President.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers—J. E. Smith, D.D., Paul S. Leinbach, R. F. Reed, J. W. Gilds, S. F. Laury, F. W. Smith, M. N. George.

Elders—E. J. Freeman, H. S. Rinker, T. J. Kichline, Sam'l Hood, Jno. W. Newhard, C. S. Messinger, Geo. Silvius.

2. Lebanon Classis.

Ministers—Wm. D. Donat, Paul J. Dundore, J. L. Fluck, Wm. F. DeLong, C. H. Kehm.

Elders—Geo. D. Fahrenbach, Cornelius Loose, E. D. Miller, Geo. W. Stein, Hiram G. Newgard.

3. Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers—C. B. Alspach, B. Bates, Geo. H. Miller, Wm. J. Hinke, D.D., A. C. Thompson, M. Sampson, E. F. Weist, R. C. Zartman, D.D.

Elders—H. M. Housekeeper, W. H. Ebright, A. B. Scheffey, W. C. Taylor, J. W. Rapp, G. S. Zimmerman, A. G. Grater.

4. Lancaster Classis.

Ministers—Jno. G. Noss, D.D., Jas. G. Dengler, E. N. Kremer, D.D., John W. Ault, Wm. F. Lichliter, Wm. Yenser, Harry N. Basaler, Herman S. Shelly.

Elders—E. H. Burkholder, Theo. Glass, G. J. P. Raub, Levi R. Raezer, Geo. A. Hollinger, David R. Kendig, Christian Eiseman.

5. East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—A. Gonser, L. M. Fetterolf, C. D. Kressley, W. C. Slough.

Elders—A. Shoenberger, J. B. Nuss, Aaron B. Bressler, Dr. M. D. Lehr.

6. West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—H. J. Crow, Daniel Gress, H. Otis Spessard, Ph.D., D. W. Wolf, D.D.

Elders—J. W. Evans, B. C. Auchenbach, C. L. Gerberick, A. N. Corman.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis.

Ministers—J. O. Oswald, G. G. Greenwald, L. K. Evans, D.D.

Elders—Dr. H. H. Bobb, L. K. Rhoads.

8. Tobickon Classis.

Ministers—Wm. H. Mader, John A. Mertz, N. Z. Snyder, D.D., John O. Lindaman.

Elders—I. D. Loux, Henry F. Hager, Henry S. Haar.

9. Lehigh Classis.

Ministers—H. M. J. Klein, R. M. Kern, T. F. Herman, E. E. Kresge, E. H. Leinbach, David A. Winter, Fred. C. Seitz, H. L. Fogelman.

Elders—Solomon Hoch, F. Hartman, Jas. S. Peters, Dr. H. M. Schell, Henry J. Kurtz, Chas. A. Hachman, F. P. Hunsicker, David Scheirer.

10. Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers—H. Leisse, S. L. Whitmore, D.D., S. S. Kohler.

Elders—J. H. Butz, Thos. Koch, J. W. Tyson.

11. Wyoming Classis.

Ministers—A. M. Masonheimer, T. O. Stem, J. K. Adams, W. D. Happel, A. P. Stembrey.

Elders—W. P. Long, A. S. Mann, A. A. Bachman, G. M. Tobias.

12. Reading Classis.

Ministers—C. E. Schaeffer, Thos. H. Leinbach, Chas. E. Creitz, John P. Stein, D.D.

Elders—Wm. T. Snyder, Jno. P. Luft, Dr. A. S. Rondenbush, Dr. J. K. Seaman.

Rev. J. M. S. Isenberg, delegate secundus of Philadelphia Classis, occupied the seat of primarius, Dr. R. C. Zartman, on fifth day of the sessions.

Rev. J. Rauch Stein, delegate secundus of Lancaster Classis, occupied the seat of Wm. F. Lichtliter, delegate primarius, during his absence, who was present on third day of sessions.

Rev. W. D. Marburger, delegate secundus of West Susquehanna Classis, occupied seat of Rev. A. M. Schmidt, delegate primarius of West Susquehanna Classis.

Elder Peter H. Snyder, of Reading Classis, occupied, on the fifth day, the seat of Dr. A. S. Raudenbush.

Rev. E. E. Weaver, delegate secundus of West Susquehanna Classis, on the fifth day took the place of Rev. W. D. Marburger.

Rev. D. M. Wolf, delegate secundus of West Susquehanna Classis, on the fifth day of the session, occupied the seat of the primarius, Daniel Gress.

Advisory Members.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Revs. J. G. Rupp, Jno. F. DeLong, D.D., David Scheirer, P. E. Heimer, A. P. Frantz, J.E. Freeman.

Lebanon Classis—Revs. W. F. More, V. W. Dippel, Elder S. P. Heilman.

Philadelphia Classis—Revs. Thos. M. Yundt, Dr. Jas. Crawford, J. M. S. Isenberg, H. W. Bright, Abner S. Dechant, Dr. H. T. Spangler, S. L. Messinger, Dr. Jas. I. Good, Dr. C. J. Musser, A. S. Bromer.

Lancaster Classis—Revs. Dr. J. W. Meminger, C. Noss, Dr. D. B. Schneder, Jas. Ranch Stein.

Tohickon Classis—Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Scott R. Wagner, J. R. Bergey.

West Susquehanna Classis—Revs. E. E. Weaver, D. M. Wolf.

Lehigh Classis—Revs. Geo. W. Smith, E. J. Laros, Dr. Thos. S. Land, Simon Sipple, Geo. W. Smith, Chas. F. Freeman, Thos. H. Krick, Dr. Geo. W. Richards, Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, Thos. N. Reber, Geo. P. Stem, Ezra S. Neikirk.

Schuylkill Classis—Revs. J. G. Kerschner, A. Lobach.

Wyoming Classis—Revs. J. D. Thomas, S. E. Stofflet, Wm. Tonnes.

Reading Classis—Revs. Thos. W. Dickert, Rufus W. Miller, D.D.

Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod—Geo. W. Stibbitz.

Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod—Rev. S. S. Miller.

Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod—Rev. Warren J. Johnson.

Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod—Rev. A. C. Whitmer.

Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburgh Synod—Rev. Dr. Jno. C. Bowman.

Magagi Sendai, Japan—C. Kajiwara.

From Other Denominations.

Rev. J. L. Guinther, United Evangelical, Weissport, Pa.
 Rev. B. T. String, M. E. Church, Lehighton, Pa.
 Rev. F. S. Kuhns, Grace Lutheran church, Lehighton, Pa.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Harrisburg, Pa.
Vice-President—Rev. Sam'l L. Whitmore, D.D., Pottsville, Pa.
Corresponding Secretary—Rev. J. K. Adams, Berwick, Pa.
Reading Clerk—Rev. W. F. DeLong, Annville, Pa.
Stated Clerk—Rev. John Ph. Stein, D.D., Reading, Pa.
Treasurer—Mr. R. Monroe Hoffman, Reading, Pa.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by General Synod at Akron, in 1887, were observed by Synod in the transaction of its business.

The Bar of the House was defined as extending to the tenth pew. From the chancel.

The business sessions were opened at 9 a. m. and closed at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11:30 a. m. to 2 p. m.

ARTICLE V.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following standing committees, to wit:

1. *Religious Services*—Revs. D. A. Winter, E. E. Kresge, J. O. Lindaman, Elders F. P. Hunsicker, George Silvius.
2. *Minutes of Synod*—Revs. W. C. Slough, J. W. Gills, Wm. Yenser, Elders Samuel Hood, George Fahrenbach.
3. *Overtures*—Revs. J. L. Fluck, Dr. J. E. Smith, George G. Greenawalt, Elders Israel Laux, Solomon Hoch.

4. *Minutes of Classis*—Revs. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., C. B. Alspach, W. D. Donat, Elders Cornelius Loose, W. C. Taylor.

5. *Examination and Licensure*—Revs. Wm. J. Hinke, D.D., D. M. Wolf, D.D., A. M. Masonheimer, Elders A. S. Raudenbush, M.D., J. W. Tyson.

6. *State of the Church*—Revs. S. L. Whitmore, D.D., Herman S. Shelly, G. H. Miller, Elders George A. Hollinger, Dr. M. D. Lehr.

7. *College and Seminary*—Revs. T. O. Stem, T. H. Leinbach, F. C. Seitz, Elders J. W. Evans, Aaron Bressler.

8. *Missions*—Revs. R. F. Reed, H. I. Crow, L. M. Fetterhoff, Elders Dr. J. K. Seeman, A. S. Mann.

9. *Finance*—Revs. C. E. Creitz, A. C. Thompson, L. K. Evans, Elders Dr. H. H. Bobb, G. J. P. Raub.

10. *Nominations*—Revs. J. G. Dengler, H. M. J. Klein, E. F. Wiest, Elders Hiram G. Newgard, John P. Luft.

11. *Publications*—Revs. T. F. Herman, S. S. Kohler, J. G. Noss, Elders J. H. Butz, G. M. Tobias.

12. *Orphans' Home and Benevolent Institutions*—Revs. J. O. Oswald, H. S. Fogleman, A. Gonser, Elders Aug. Schoenberger, L. R. Raezer.

13. *Sunday-Schools*—Revs. C. E. Schaeffer, John A. Merts, J. K. Adams, Elders George W. Stein, B. C. Auchenbach.

ARTICLE VI. COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The minutes of the following Classes: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination, with the exception of the reports on the State of the Church and the statistical tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Report of the Treasurer were read. The election to fill the vacancy occurring in the Board of Trustees of Synod was made the order of the day on Friday, at 2 p. m. Several

items in Report of Trustees of Synod and the Treasurer's Report were referred to Committee on Finance.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, communication from General Synod's Board, from the Bi-Synodic Board and a communication from Potomac Synod, together with the report of General Synod's Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

4. The Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Education of the Theological Seminary; also the Report of Franklin and Marshall College were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on College and Seminary, with the exception of the nominations suggested to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

5. The Annual Report of the Board of Publication of Reformed Church was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Report of General Synod's Sunday-school Board was received and referred to Committee on Sunday-schools.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

ARTICLE VII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were severally opened and closed with religious service.

The report on Religious Services was presented by the Standing Committee at intervals and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

The Committee on Religious Service beg leave to submit the following report of services held during the One Hundred and Sixtieth Annual Session of Eastern Synod, at Lehigh, Pa., October 24th to 28th:

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Opening sermon by the retiring President, Rev. James Crawford, D.D. Devotional services,

Rev. H. M. J. Klein, Rev. J. L. Fluck. Address of welcome, Rev. D. A. Winter. Response, by the President.

Thursday, Historical Society, 7:30 p. m.—Presiding, Rev. James I. Good, D.D. Address, "The Work of the Historical Society," Rev. George W. Richards, D.D. Address, "Origin of the Reformed Church in the South," Prof. Wm. J. Hinke, Ph.D.

Friday, Home Missions, 7:30 p. m.—Presiding, Rev. Paul S. Leinbach. Address, "The Eastern Synod as a Mission Field," Rev. Thomas M. Yundt. Address, "City Mission Work," Rev. Charles B. Alspach. Address, "The Claim of Our Western Work," Rev. A. S. Dechant.

Saturday, the Sunday-School, 7:30 p. m.—Presiding, Rev. Rufus W. Miller, D.D. Address, "The Relation of the Sunday-School Teacher to the Youth of the Congregation," Rev. Theodore F. Herman. Address, "The One Thing Needful," Rev. George Stibitz, Ph.D.

Sunday, Preparatory Services, 9 a. m.—Devotional and Liturgical Services, Rev. J. G. Noss, D.D., Rev. T. O. Stem. Sermon, Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., President of Synod.

Holy Communion, 10:30 a. m.—Devotional and Liturgical Service, Rev. C. D. Kressley, Rev. H. N. Bassler. Sermon, Rev. S. L. Whitmore, D.D., Vice-President of Synod.

Sunday-School Session, 2 p. m.—Presiding, Supt. George E. Gray. Teaching of Lesson: Senior School, Rev. F. C. Seitz; Intermediate School, Rev. Albert Gonser; Junior School, Rev. R. M. Kern; Men's Bible Class, Rev. C. E. Creitz. Addresses: main room, Rev. W. Samson, Rev. W. F. DeLong; primary room, Rev. J. W. Ault, Rev. J. W. Gilds.

Foreign Missions, 7:00 p. m.—Presiding, Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D. Address, Rev. D. B. Schneider, D.D. Address, "Our Educational Work," Rev. C. Kajiwara. Address, "My Impression of Our Work," Rev. James I. Good, D.D.

Sunday Services in Other Churches.

Methodist Episcopal Church—Morning services, Prof. Christopher Noss; evening services, Rev. E. E. Kresge.

Grace Lutheran Church—Morning services, Rev. J. K. Adams; evening services, Rev. R. M. Kern.

Ebenezer Evangelical Church—Morning services, Rev. J. J. Mertz.

Bethany Evangelical Church—Morning services, Rev. E. F. Wiest; evening services, Rev. George W. Stibitz.

Presbyterian Church—Morning services, Rev. C. B. Alspach; evening services, Rev. H. N. Bassler.

Jamestown Sunday-School—Sunday-school session, Rev. H. L. Fogelman, Rev. W. C. Slough, Rev. E. E. Kresge.

Jacob's Reformed Church, Weissport, Pa.—Morning services, Rev. J. G. Dengler; evening services, Rev. C. E. Creitz.

Union Church, Siegfrieds, Pa.—Evening services, Rev. Benoni Bates.

First Reformed Church, East Mauch Chunk, Pa.—Evening services, Rev. Paul Dunmore.

Reformed Church, Summit Hill, Pa.—Evening services, Rev. C. H. Kehm.

Reformed Church, Lansford, Pa.—Morning services, Rev. H. Shelly; evening services, Rev. M. Samson.

Grace Reformed Church, Northampton, Pa.—Morning services, Rev. Benoni Bates; evening services, Rev. H. I. Crow.

St. John's Reformed Church, Tamaqua, Pa.— ——— services, Rev. L. Kryder Evans, D.D.

Reformed Church, Weatherly, Pa.— ——— services, Rev. G. H. Miller.

Emanuel's Reformed Church, Hazleton, Pa.— ——— services, Rev. L. M. Fetterhoff.

St. Paul's Reformed Church, Cementon, Pa.—Evening services, Rev. W. F. DeLong.

Reformed Church, Coplay, Pa.—Evening services, Rev. T. O. Stem.

Your committee would recommend that the expenses incident to Prof. George W. Richards, Rev. A. S. Dechant and Rev. George W. Stibitz, who are not delegates to this body, aggregating \$20.00, be defrayed by Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

D. A. WINTER,

E. E. KRESGE,

J. O. LINDAMAN,

J. P. HUNSICKER,

GEO. SILVIUS.

ARTICLE VIII.
MINUTES OF SYNOD.

The printed copy of the Minutes of Eastern Synod were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod, to note such items as required attention.

The report was presented on Thursday, during the afternoon session, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

Your Committee on Minutes of the Session of the Eastern Synod, held October 24, 1905, at Williamsport, Pa., find the following items in Acts and Proceedings of said body claiming the attention of this reverend Synod:

1. *Item p. 64.* Synod approved of the plan of Faculty of Theological Seminary for securing a larger endowment.
2. *Item p. 66.* An advisory council, consisting of a member of each of the several classes, to assist in the work of gathering funds for F. and M. College.
3. *Item p. 87.* The term of Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach, as a member of the Board of Trustees of Synod, expires January 1, 1907.
4. *Item p. 100.* Synod duly elected members to constitute the Board of Trustees for Allentown College for Women.
5. *Item p. 99.* Synod appointed a committee to arrange for transfer of Allentown Female College from East Pennsylvania and Lehigh Classes to Eastern Synod.
6. *Item p. 107.* Synod duly elected a permanent committee on Sunday-schools.
7. *Item p. 107.* The term of Chas. H. Leinbach expires with the meeting of this Synod.
8. *Item p. 108.* Synod instructed the Stated Clerk to have 4,200 copies of the Minutes of Synod printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distributed to those entitled to receive them.
9. *Item p. 126.* The Committee on the Disposal of Minutes of Coetus was continued. (See Minutes of Synod, 1904, p 154.)

10. *Item* p. 129. Synod holds its annual session October 24, 1906, in Zion's Reformed church, Lehighton, Pa.

W. C. SLOUGH,

WM. YENSER,

SAMUEL HOOD,

J. W. GILDS,

GEORGE D. FAHRENBAACH.

For the action of Synod on the several items contained in the foregoing report, reference is herewith made as follows:

In regard to the action on items 1 and 2, see the report of Rev. Dr. Jno. C. Bowman, on Seminary Endowment, and the report of Rev. J. G. Rupp, on College Endowment, in Article XIII, College and Seminary.

On item 3, see Article XXII, Miscellaneous; on items 4 and 5, see Article XV, on Finance; on items 6 and 7, see Report of Dr. S. P. Heilman and Report on Sunday-Schools, in Article XVIII, on Sunday-Schools; on item 8, see Article XIX, on Publication. On item 9, the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That the President of the Board of Trustees of Synod be instructed to communicate the action of the Synod in reference to the sale of the Minutes of Coetus to the members of the committee appointed to prosecute the sale of this volume, and inform them that the action taken by the Synod at Williamsport was reiterated.

The tenth item was adopted.

ARTICLE IX.

OVERTURES.

The report on Overtures was presented Thursday, during the afternoon session, and disposed of at intervals, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The following papers and communications came into the hands of your committee on Overtures claiming the attention of your reverend body:

1. Report of the Board of Ministerial Relief Society of General Synod.

2. Report of the Society of Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States.

3. Report of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home, Allentown, Pa.

4. A request from Rev. A. B. Koplin, D.D.

5. A copy of "O Mura San," presented by Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D.

6. A copy of "A History of Falkner Swamp Reformed Church," presented by Rev. G. W. Roth.

7. Invitations to Eastern Synod, offering places to hold the next annual meeting, as follows:

(a) Second Reformed church, Harrisburg, Pa., Rev. H. N. Bassler, pastor.

(b) St. Luke's Reformed church, Lock Haven, Pa., Rev. Samuel H. Stein, pastor.

(c) St. Stephen's Reformed church, Reading, Pa., Rev. Thomas W. Deckert, pastor.

(d) First Reformed church, Lancaster, Pa., Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, pastor.

Respectfully submitted,

J. LEWIS FLUCK,	ISRAEL S. LOUX,
J. E. SMITH,	GEO. G. GREENAWALD.

For Synod's action on the several items contained in the foregoing report, reference is made as follows, to wit:

In regard to the first and second items, they were both referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. P. S. Leinbach, R. C. Zartman, W. D. Donat and Elders J. W. Tyson and Dr. A. S. Roudenbush. See Article XX, Orphans' Homes and Benevolent Institutions.

Items 3 and 4 were referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. R. M. Kern, W. H. Mader and Elder I. S. Peters. See Article XX, Orphans' Homes and Benevolent Institutions.

Item 5. Referred to the Standing Committee on Missions.

Item 6. The booklet containing a brief history of Falkner Swamp Church was received and accepted with thanks by Synod, and the Stated Clerk instructed to communicate the same.

Item 7, containing four invitations to Synod to hold its next annual sessions in their midst, was referred to the Standing Committee on Nominations.

ARTICLE X.

MINUTES OF CLASSES.

The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes presented its report on Friday, during the afternoon session. The report was considered item by item and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes beg leave to report that the Minutes of the several Classes were placed into our hands and from these records of the classical proceedings the following are gathered and herein presented for your further consideration, namely:

I.—Irregularities.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis records a protest against its action by some members of Classis which is unconstitutional (page 207).

2. Lebanon Classis reports a special meeting of Classis, held August 28, 1905, which was held prior to the annual meeting of Synod in the same year.

3. East Susquehanna Classis reports the minutes of August 8, 1905, which ought to have been reported to the last session of Synod (page 5).

4. The same Classis fails to report several special meetings over the official signature of the Stated Clerk (page 6).

5. East Susquehanna Classis appointed a special committee to report next year, on the form recommended by General Synod for receiving members on re-profession of faith (page 21).

6. West Susquehanna Classis reports a special meeting held August 5, 1905 (page 3).

7. The same Classis referred the liturgical form for receiving members on re-profession of faith to a committee to report at some future time (page 31).

8. The same Classis reports the action on each item in the various reports of the Standing Committees, all over the signatures of the respective committees (page 33).

9. Schuylkill Classis defers voting on the form recommended for renewed profession for one year.

10. Schuylkill Classis does not state that the minutes of certain special meetings are official copies of the original (page 25, etc.).

11. Wyoming Classis does not specify that the minutes of certain special meetings are copies of the original (page 42).

II.—Requests.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis calls the attention of Synod to the fact that it has paid its apportionment on the Washington Memorial church. (Vide Minutes of East Pennsylvania Classis, p. 183.)

2. Lebanon Classis calls Synod's attention to an error in the date of the ordination of Lic. C. Harvey Kehm (page 49).

3. West Susquehanna Classis requests Synod to be allowed again to use the annual apportionment to be used for church building, in the erection of Lewistown chapel (page 50).

4. Schuylkill Classis requests Synod to take steps looking to the division of Synod for the reconstruction of its territory (page 19).

5. Wyoming Classis calls the attention of Synod to the action at Wilkesbarre, Pa., in regard to using the amount raised for church building for its own missions (page 38).

III.—Subjects Referred.

East Pennsylvania Classis does not accept the whole apportionment of Synod (page 183).

Goshenhoppen Classis regrets that it cannot comply with the request of Synod to pay certain arrearages (page 17).

IV.—Ordinances Referred by General Synod.

1. *The New Constitution*.—Approved by East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading.

Rejected by none.

2. *The Liturgical Form for Receiving Members on Renewed Profession*.—Approved by East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, Goshenhoppen, Lehigh and Wyoming Classes.

Rejected by Tohickon and Reading Classes.

East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna and Schuylkill Classis did not come to any definite conclusion.

V.—Licensed, Ordained, Received and Dismissed.

East Pennsylvania Classis licensed, May 22d, Wilfred R. Memmert, Albert G. Peters and William Yeisley; received Rev. G. W. Royer from East Susquehanna Classis and, May 23d, Lic. D. B. Kline, from Reading Classis, and ordained him on June 17, 1906. Ordained Lic. A. G. Peters June 3 1906; dismissed Lic. W. A. Yeisley to Gettysburg Classis, Synod of Potomac, and Rev. W. F. More to Lebanon Classis.

Lebanon Classis licensed, May 19, 1906, Elmer G. Leinbach and John Lentz; received, December 5, 1905, Rev. C. A. Butz, and October 10th, Rev. W. F. Moore, from East Pennsylvania Classis; June 2, 1906, Rev. H. E. Bodder, from Philadelphia Classis; dismissed May 19, 1906, Lic. Elmer G. Leinbach, to East Susquehanna Classis, and Lic. John Lentz, to Philadelphia Classis, and October 18, 1906, Rev. Edw. S. Bromer, D.D., to Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburg Synod.

Philadelphia Classis received, January 12, 1906, Lic. Vernon S. Rice, from Carlisle Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. Francis C. Yost, April 26, 1906, from Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. Jas. I. Good, D.D., from Reading Classis; May 9, 1906, Rev. Edgar V. Loucks, from Iowa Classis, Synod of Interior; July 30, 1906, Lic. John Lentz, from Lebanon Classis; July 30, 1906, Rev. Dallas R. Krebs, from Lancaster Classis. Dismissed Rev. H. E. Bodder, to Lebanon Classis; May 9, 1906, Rev. H. E. Jones, to the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

Lancaster Classis licensed, May 12, 1906, Roy J. Freeman. Received, December 21, 1905, Rev. Geo. A. Whitmore, from Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod. Dismissed, February 3, 1906, Rev. Milton H. Sangree, to Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod; Roy J. Freeman, May 12, 1906, to East Susquehanna Classis; May 14, 1906, Rev. A. C. Whitmer, to Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod; May 28, 1906, Rev. Dallas R. Krebs, to Philadelphia Classis.

East Susquehanna Classis dismissed, November 13, 1905, Rev. O. F. Schaeffer, to Illinois Classis, Synod of Interior; May 22, 1906, Rev. G. W. Royer, to East Pennsylvania Classis. Received, May 22, 1906, Lic. Elmer G. Leinbach, from Lebanon Classis, and ordained him July 5, 1906, at Millersburg, Pa. Received, May 22, 1906, Lic. R. J. Freeman, from Lan-

caster Classis, and ordained him July 5, 1906, at Hegins, Pa., and Rev. W. C. Slough, May 22, 1906, from Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod. Erased, May 22, 1906, the name of Rev. John Neglaky from the roll; Classis having official notice that he had entered the American Hungarian Classis.

West Susquehanna Classis licensed, May 18, 1906, J. Arthur Sheaffer; ordained Lic. J. Monroe Shellenberger, September 6, 1906; dismissed, December 19, 1905, Rev. J. M. Mengel, to Lehigh Classis; March 20, 1906, Rev. J. M. Bean, to Allegheny Classis, Pittsburg Synod; April 19, 1906, Rev. F. E. Lauffer, Ph.D., to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod, and July 23, 1906, Rev. J. W. Albertson, to Westmoreland Classis, Pittsburg Synod. Received Lic. George K. Ely, from Lehigh Classis, May 17, 1906; Lic. J. Monroe Shellenberger, from Tohickon Classis, September 6, 1906.

Tohickon Classis licensed John F. Frantz, L. Valmore Hetrick and J. Monroe Shellenberger; received Rev. H. D. Kurtz and Rev. Scott R. Wagner, from Lehigh Classis, and Rev. Samuel E. Moyer, from Schuylkill Classis. Dismissed Rev. B. B. Ferer, D.D., to St. Paul's Classis, Synod of Pittsburg; Lic. L. V. Hetrick, to Allegheny Classis, Synod of Pittsburg, and Lic. J. M. Shellenberger, to West Susquehanna Classis.

Lehigh Classis received, July 10, 1905, Lic. Charles F. Freeman, from Goshenhoppen Classis, and ordained him July 30, 1905. Ordained, April 30, 1906, Lic. Philip H. Vogel, Ph.D., as assistant to his father, the Rev. Dr. E. J. Vogel; ordained, July 30, 1905, Lic. Wm. G. Seiple, as missionary to Japan. Received, October 17, 1905, Rev. Dr. Thos. S. Land, from Lancaster Classis. Dismissed, December 19, 1905, Rev. H. D. Kurtz, to Tohickon Classis. Received, December 19, 1905, Rev. Frank P. Laros, from the German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of the East; received, January 20, 1906, Rev. Jesse M. Mengel, from West Susquehanna Classis. Licensed, May 16, 1906, George K. Ely and dismissed him on the same date, to West Susquehanna Classis. Licensed, May 16, William H. Diefenderfer and dismissed him, June 18, 1906, to St. Paul's Classis, Pittsburg Synod. Dismissed, June 30, 1906, Rev. Scott R. Wagner, to Tohickon Classis. Received, September 10, 1906, Lic. George M. Smith, from German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of the East. Received, Sep-

tember 10, 1906, Rev. Samuel E. Neikirk, from Tuscarawas Classis, Ohio Synod. Rev. N. W. Helfrich died April 20, 1906, and his name disappears from the roll.

Schuykill Classis received Lic. J. Arthur Schaeffer, from West Susquehanna Classis, and was ordained May 28, 1906, as pastor of Auburn charge. Received Rev. H. A. Keyser, D.D., from Lebanon Classis. Dismissed Rev. Samuel E. Moyer, to Tohickon Classis.

Wyoming Classis received, December 6, 1905, Rev. Jos. E. Guy, from Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod; February 1, 1906, Lic. Wilbur J. Kohler, from Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod, and ordained him on the same day in the Emanuel charge. Dismissed, February 20, 1906, Lic. E. E. Musselman, to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod; April 16, 1906, Rev. E. M. Beck, to Tiffin Classis, Ohio Synod. Received, May 22, 1906, Rev. John B. Kalona, from Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod. Licensed, May 23, 1906, J. Frank Bucher, in Grace Reformed church, Hazleton, Pa. Dismissed, July 19, 1906, Rev. M. L. Firor, to Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod, and Rev. Carl G. Petri, to Iown Classis, Synod of Interior.

Reading Classis dismissed, March 19, 1906, Rev. Jas. I. Good, D.D., to Philadelphia Classis (page 2). Licensed, May 14, 1906, Elam J. Snyder, David B. Kline and James C. Stamm (page 45). Dismissed, May 14, 1906, Lic. J. C. Stamm, to German Philadelphia Classis, German Synod of the East (page 46). Dismissed, May 14, 1906, Lic. David B. Kline, to East Pennsylvania Classis (page 46). Ordained, May, 1906, Lic. Elam J. Snyder, as pastor of Alsace charge. Received, September 3, 1906, Rev. A. V. Casselman, from Eastern Ohio Classis, Ohio Synod (page 5).

V.—Charges That Paid Apportionments.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Grace, Northampton; West Bethlehem; Plainfield; St. Mark's, Easton; St. John's, Bangor; Zion's, Siegfried; Tannersville; Howertown; Hamilton; Grace, Easton; East Mauch Chunk; Freemansburg; First church, Easton; Zion's, North Bethlehem; Oxford Furnace; St. Peter's, Tatany; Pleasant Valley and Schoenersville congregation.

Lebanon Classis—Tabor; St. John's, St. Mark's, Lebanon;

Bethany, Swatara; Annville, Campbellstown and Grace church, Richland.

Lancaster Classis—New Holland; Salem, Heller's; Salem, Rohrerstown; Salem, Harrisburg; St. Stephen's, Lancaster; Trinity, Columbia; Zwingli, Harrisburg; St. Luke's, Lancaster; Zion's, Millersville; St. Paul's, Lancaster; Maytown; Christ, Elizabethtown; Second, Harrisburg; St. John's, Harrisburg; St. Andrew's, Lancaster; Manheim; First, Steelton; Willow Street; Hummelstown; First, Lancaster; Armstrong Valley; Zion's, New Providence; St. Paul's, Quarryville; Fourth, Harrisburg; Shell's.

Schuylkill Classis—St. John's, Schuylkill Haven; St. Mark's, Cressona; Trinity, Shenandoah; Trinity, Pottsville; Friedens Church, N. Ringgold; Friedensburg Charge; First Church, Schuylkill Haven; St. Paul's, Mahanoy City; Orwigsburg Charge; Trinity, Tamaqua; St. John's, Tamaqua; St. Peter's, Frackville; Tremont Charge; Grace, Mahanoy City.

West Susquehanna Classis—Williamsport; Nittany Valley Rebersburg; Mifflinburg; Lewisburg; Bellefonte; Buffalo Valley; Lewistown; Susquehanna; Center Hall; Aaronsburg; Lock Haven; White Deer; Beaver Springs.

Wyoming Classis—Weatherly; Freeland; Christ's Memorial; Emanuel's, Hazleton; Zion's, Wilkesbarre; Emanuel's, St. John's, Bloomsburg; Mansdale; Calvary; Danville; Overton; Conyngham; Paradise; St. Luke's, Wilkesbarre; Berwick; Fayette; Nanticoke; Milton and Plymouth.

Reading Classis—St. Paul's, St. John's, St. Thomas, St. Mark's, St. Andrew's, Faith, St. James, First, Olivet, St. Stephen's, Reading; First, Hamburg; Schwartzwald; Leesport; Alsace.

VI.—Time and Place of Next Annual Meeting of Classes.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis will meet at East Mauch Chunk, Pa., May 27, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in the First Reformed church. Rev. G. A. Schwedes, President; Rev. J. G. Rupp, Stated Clerk; Rev. F. H. Moyer, Treasurer.

2. Lebanon Classis will meet on Monday, May 20, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in St. Paul's Reformed church, Robesonia, Berks county, Pa. Rev. Edwin S. Leinbach, President; Rev. W. D. Donat, Stated Clerk; Elder Jacob K. Funck, Treasurer.

3. Philadelphia Classis will meet May 7, 1907, at 8 p. m., in Messiah Reformed church, Thirteenth and Wolf streets, Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. Geo. H. Miller, President; Rev. Chas. B. Alspach, Stated Clerk; and Elder Jacob S. Sechler, Treasurer.

4. Lancaster Classis will meet Thursday, May 23, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in First Reformed church, Steelton, Pa. Rev. J. Rauch Stein, President; Rev. D. W. Gerhard, D.D., Stated Clerk, and Rev. J. H. Pennebecker, Treasurer.

5. East Susquehanna Classis will meet May 6, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in Salem's Reformed church, at Berrysburg, Dauphin county, Pa. Rev. C. B. Schneder, President; Rev. J. Alvin Reber, Stated Clerk, and Dr. M. D. Lehr, Treasurer.

6. West Susquehanna Classis will meet May 22, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in Christ Reformed church, Madisonburg, Center county, Pa. Rev. A. A. Black, President and Treasurer; Rev. J. M. Runkle, Stated Clerk.

7. Goshenhoppen Classis will meet on May 6, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in the new Goshenhoppen Reformed church, East Greenville, Montgomery county, Pa. Rev. James O. Oswald, President, and C. S. Wieand, Stated Clerk.

8. Tohickon Classis will meet May 13, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in St. John's Reformed church, Riegelsville, Pa. Rev. Franklin J. Mohr, President; Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., Stated Clerk, and Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Treasurer.

9. Lehigh Classis will meet May 20, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in St. Andrew's Reformed church, Allentown, Pa. Rev. Robert M. Kern, President; Rev. Dr. D. E. Schoedler, Stated Clerk, and Rev. H. L. Fogelman, Treasurer.

10. Schuylkill Classis will meet May 13, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in St. John's Reformed church, St. Clair, Pa. Rev. J. G. Kerschner, President; Rev. D. W. Stoyer, Stated Clerk, and Rev. O. H. Schunck, Treasurer.

11. Wyoming Classis will meet May 20, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., at Orangeville, Columbia county, Pa. Rev. C. D. Lerch, President; Rev. C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk, and Rev. A. Hontz, Treasurer.

12. Reading Classis will meet on third Monday after Easter, 1907, at 7:45 p. m., in St. Stephen's Reformed church. Rev.

Dr. John Ph. Stein, President; Rev. Dr. Samuel R. Bridenbaugh, Stated Clerk, and Rev. H. Y. Stoner, Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,

N. Z. SNYDER,

C. B. ALSPACH,

C. LOOSE,

W. D. DONAT,

W. CARROLL TAYLOR.

The several items under the head of Irregularities were severally adopted.

Requests.—The first item under the head of requests was adopted.

In response to the request of Lebanon Classis, Synod notes the error, and herewith inserts July 23, 1905, as the correct date of Lic. C. H. Kehm's ordination.

Synod did not see its way clear to grant the request of West Susquehanna Classis, to use the funds raised for Church Building Funds for the Lewistown Mission.

The request of Schuylkill Classis, for the formation of a new Synod, was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. J. Noss, S. L. Whitmore, E. F. Wiest, Elders Geo. D. Fahrenbach and Gerberich. See Article XVI, Appeals and References.

The request of Wyoming Classis, for the continued use of money raised for Church Building Fund for the Scranton Mission, was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. L. K. Evans, Wm. D. Happel, B. Bates, Elders David Kendig and Geo. Loux. See Article XVI, on Appeals and References.

Subjects Referred.—East Pennsylvania Classis and Goshenhoppen Classis failed in paying their full apportionment, and the attention of the Classis is called to their delinquency.

Action of Classes on the New Constitution.

The new constitution was approved by the following Classes: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading.

Action of Classes on the Form for Reception on Renewal of Profession.

Approved by the Classes: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, Goshenhoppen, Lehigh and Wyoming.

Rejected by the Classes: Tohickon and Reading.

Undecided by the Classes: East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna and Schuylkill did not arrive at any definite conclusion.

Licensure, Ordination, Received and Dismissed.—The several items under this head were adopted.

Apportionments—The reports of the charges in the several Classes having paid their apportionments were adopted.

Time and Place for Annual Meeting.—The several items under this head were adopted, and finally the report was adopted as a whole.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination presented the following report, which was adopted
To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Examination and Licensure begs leave to report that no papers or applications for examination and licensure were submitted to the committee, and hence there was no work that claimed its time and attention.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. J. HINKE, <i>Chairman</i> ,	D. M. WOLF,
A. M. MASONHEIMER,	I. W. TYSON.

ARTICLE XII.

THE STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The report on the State of the Church was presented on Monday, during the evening session, and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee presents the following report:

From the reports of the several Classes, from the statistics compiled by the Stated Clerk, from the various items presented, discussed and acted upon, as representing the work

of institutions, boards and committees of Synod, it is possible to secure a large degree of information concerning the Lord's work within the bounds of the Synod. This information your committee has endeavored to embody in as brief space as possible in its report.

It is evident, from all the facts presented, that God has owned and blessed the labors of His servants. Our Lord's promise to abide with His Church has been verified. For His continued presence, favor and blessing, it is meet, right and our bounden duty at all times and in all places to call upon our hearts and all the powers within us to praise and magnify His holy name.

The usual hindrances and difficulties have been encountered. Worldliness, sensuality and sin have been met by a firm, steadfast reliance upon the Gospel and all the means of grace, as the dominant power of God unto salvation. There has been such a measure of aggressiveness and zeal in the activity of the Church that there appears a joyful note of progress in almost every department of Church work. The spiritual life of our congregations has been quickened. Our benevolence and the increased expenditures for congregational uses manifest a healthy growth.

One of the best evidences of this growth and expansion in the various departments of church work is seen in the increased demand for men and means with which to do the work. God has honored us by giving us a large share in the answering of the prayer, Thy kingdom come. His call seems to come with increasing emphasis as the years go by and the mind and conscience of the Church becomes sufficiently awake and acute to discern from Whom these calls come. In missions, home and foreign, in the institutions of learning, in the care of orphans, deaconess work, homes for the aged and infirm, the relief of aged, infirm or disabled ministers and the widows of deceased ministers; in the better equipment of the congregations and Sunday-schools for local work in the churches—everywhere, from all directions, the reports tell the same story of the growing, enlarging kingdom, with new and larger demands. These calls send us down upon our knees before God to seek for the grace to answer them.

A cheering tone of progress is heard through almost all

reports of the church activities. Debts contracted by largely increasing demands upon congregations, boards and institutions, have been or are being reduced or paid off, and the way is being prepared for larger and better things to come.

Let it not be inferred that all has been done that ought to have been—that could have been—done by this large, wealthy Synod. For the statistics and other reports indicate many faults and failures in the work of the Synod. Not all our people have heard the call to missionary effort; the Sunday-schools are not yet upon the ground of high ideals; not enough of our Church literature, and especially Church papers, come to Reformed Church homes; too many members absent themselves from regular attendance upon the means of grace, and are not regularly found at the Lord's table. These features of the facts reported, and recognized by most of us, humble us and serve to indicate the direction in which greater effort is needed.

The statistics, with unimportant exceptions, show improvement in the several columns over the preceding year. Communicant membership has advanced during the year from 108,378 to 116,027, or a gain during the year of 7,649; the increase of unconfirmed members of 6,776, or a total increase of members in the Synod of 14,425. There was an increase in the number of Sunday-schools and of officers and teachers, namely, four new schools and 102 officers and teachers, while the number of scholars shows an apparent loss of 352, due, probably, to imperfect reports from Union schools. There appears also to be a loss of four congregations; this may also be due to imperfect counting or printing of the previous year's statistics. In benevolence, there was a gain over the preceding year of over \$5,000, and in amounts raised for congregational expenses, there was a gain of nearly \$76,000 over the preceding year. There was an increase in the number of ministers of five in the Synod, and the increase in the number of students for the ministry was twenty-seven over last year. The latter fact should be received with joy by the Church, as it probably marks the beginning of a movement which will bring larger and larger numbers of our young men to prepare for the blessed ministry in the near future.

The Church seems to be holding more firmly than ever to

REV. NEVIN W. HELFRICH.

DIED APRIL 21, 1906.

Nevin W. Helfrich, a son of Rev. Wm. A. Helfrich, D.D., and his wife Amanda, nee Fogel, was born May 4, 1855, at Fogelsville, Pa. He belonged to an ancestral family that had for four generations a representative in the ministry of the Reformed Church. The progenitor of this family was the Rev. Johannes Heinrich Helfrich, who arrived in New York January 14, 1772, and located in Weisenberg township, Lehigh county, Pa. The subject of this sketch was educated at Heidelberg College, Tiffin, O., and later on he was graduated at the Ursinus School of Theology. In 1880 he became an assistant in his father's charge, consisting of Heidelberg, New Tripoli, Ziegels, Long Swamp, Friedens, Lowhill, Lynnvillle, Weissenburg and Lehigh congregations. During the night of April 21, after a brief illness, he was stricken with paralysis of the heart, at the age of fifty years, eleven months and seventeen days.

He is survived by his widowed mother, his wife (a daughter of Mr. James Hoffman), one daughter, Mrs. Elwood Schaeffer; two sons, John and James, of Allentown, and four brothers—Dr. John Helfrich, Allentown, Pa.; John Helfrich, of this city; Rev. Wm. U. Helfrich, of Bath, Pa., and Dr. Calvin Helfrich, of Fogelsville, Pa.

REV. ALFRED P. HORN.

DIED AUGUST 7, 1906.

Alfred P. Horn was born near Lehighon, Pa. His early educational training was received at the public schools and at Palatinate Institute, Myerstown, Pa. He was graduated at F. and M. College, Lancaster, Pa., with the class of 1880, and from the Theological Seminary in 1883. On the 17th of May, in the same year, he was licensed by Lehigh Classis, in St. John's church, Allentown, Pa., and on October 20th, was ordained in Newton, N. C., by North Carolina Classis, Potomac Synod, as pastor of East Rowan charge. In the following year he accepted a call to the Summit Hill charge, in Carbon county, and in 1891, he was called to the Springfield charge, in Tohickon, where he labored faithfully to the

close of his earthly career. He took sick and after a lingering illness of three weeks, died of typhoid fever, at the home of his brother, Dr. C. T. Horn, Lehighton, Pa., at the age of fifty-three years.

Early in his ministry he was married to Miss Katie Carpenter, of Barnesville, Pa., who, with two grown-up daughters, survive to mourn their sad bereavement.

The funeral services were held, August 11th, in the Reformed church at Lehighton. The sermon was preached by his life-long friend and class-mate, Dr. A. S. Weber, of Baltimore, Md., and the interment was made in the beautiful hill-side cemetery near the town which overlooks the valley in which he was born. He rests in peace.

REV. JACOB G. NEFF.

DIED AUGUST 21, 1906.

Jacob G. Neff, son of the late Jacob Neff and his wife Sarah, nee Glasser, was born July 15, 1849, in Maxatawny township, Berks county, Pa. He was baptized in his infancy by Rev. Isaac Roeller, and subsequently confirmed in the Reformed faith. His early education was received in the public schools. He was graduated in the Keystone State Normal School, in Ursinus College and in the Theological Department of Yale University. On the 12th of June, 1876, he was licensed, at Schuylkill Haven, by Lebanon Classis, and in 1877, he was ordained as pastor of Trinity church, Shenandoah, Pa.

In 1884, he accepted a call to the church in Bangor, Northampton county, Pa., where he served one year.

In his later years, he resided in Baltimore, Md., where he received treatment in a hospital for preservation of his sight. He died suddenly, August 21, 1906, in that city, and his body was conveyed to Kutztown, Pa., for burial.

Early in his ministry he was married to a daughter of Dr. Nyce, of Hamburg, who survives his departure. He continued as a member of East Pennsylvania Classis until recently. Thus the workmen pass away but the Lord's work goes on.

ARTICLE XIII.

FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE, THE EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND BOARD OF EDUCATION.

(a) Report of the President of Franklin and Marshall College.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

At the late commencement the following degrees were conferred:

• The degree of A.B. upon the following members of the Senior class:

John Samuel Adam,
Darius Weller Berky,
John Bernard Bissinger,
Lawrence Schaeffer Bitner,
William Franklin Ginder,
Henry Albert Hartman,
Roy Vincent Hartman,
Frank Shelby Henneberger,
William Franklin Kosman,
Horace Roberson Lequear,
George Missel,

Pecival Harding Nicholas,
Joseph Solon Peters,
Abraham Ranck,
Henry Aaron Reninger,
William Henry Rupp,
Daniel Clifton Schnebley,
Joseph Leasure Kline Snyder,
Lloyd Harold Snyder,
Grover Faust Wareheim,
Samuel Higbee Whitmore,
Edmund Culberston Wingerd.

The degree of Ph.D. upon the following:

Ray Harbaugh Dotterer,
John Paul Frantz,
Ralph Cooper Gardner,

Harvey Miller Heefner,
John Elmer Helman,
Harry Franklin Rieser,
John William Sheets.

The degree of Ph.D. upon the Rev. W. F. Shero, after the completion of the prescribed course of study and meeting all the requirements of the college in such cases provided.

The honorary degree of Sci.D. was conferred upon Prof. W. W. Landis, of Dickinson College, and the degree of L.L.D. upon the Rev. F. A. Gast, D.D., of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster.

The number of students enrolled in the college during the past year was 204, and in the academy 197, an increase in both institutions. At the beginning of the present year 64 new students were enrolled. There is an actual attendance of 199, an increase of 13. The enrollment for the year will be larger than ever before in the history of the institution. It will be seen, therefore, that the condition of the college is, on the whole, very satisfactory. The conduct of the students in general has been very good; but little has been required during the year in the way of discipline. It has been felt,

however, that the number of absences from recitations and college exercises, on the part of students, was growing so large as to demand a change of the system under which we have been working; and the honor system, too, as in vogue heretofore, did not bring the results which were expected of it. The Faculty, therefore, at the beginning of the present year, returned to the old system of examinations, and instituted a new system of regulations, so far as absences are concerned, holding the students more rigidly to regularity of attendance, and requiring them to make up, by special examinations, for absences from recitations in all the different departments.

The work of instruction was faithfully carried forward during the year and all the old instructors, except in the department of physical culture, have been re-appointed.

The subject of athletics, especially foot ball, has received a great deal of attention during the past year. It is felt on all sides that a great deal of abuse has become manifest in the playing of inter-collegiate games, and that there are evils in the game of foot ball which ought to be corrected. As is well known, the rules of playing have been revised, and eligibility rules have been established, by which the constitution of teams is to be more carefully guarded. In the appointment of a physical director this year, special attention was given to the candidate's ability to take charge of the regular gymnasium work; and with this end in view, Prof. H. B. McLaughlin, formerly of the Y. M. C. A. of this city, has been appointed physical director. It was at the same time arranged that all coaching of the different athletic teams was to be provided for by the Athletic Association, subject to the approval of the faculty.

The work in the department of mathematics has hitherto been divided between Profs. Kerschner and Hiester. This work has been effectively done, but it has become so heavy that it is not right that either of them should bear the burden that now rests upon him for any great length of time, and provision ought also to be made for additional work in physics and astronomy. It will, therefore, be necessary, in the near future, to secure an assistant in the department of

mathematics so that the pressure may be relieved and the work be done with greater ease and satisfaction.

Progress has been made in the fitting up of the museum, and this work is to continue during the present year. The museum has been enriched by the donation of an extensive and valuable collection of Indian relics, the gift of the Rev. Dr. E. N. Kremer, of Harrisburg. The specimens are classified and arranged in order in our new cases, and they constitute an interesting and valuable addition to our collection. Dr. Kremer deserves the thanks of the institution for this generous gift, into which he has put the labor of many years.

During the summer vacation the interior of the college building has been painted and other improvements have been made which add a great deal to the comfort of the students and make the building and the different lecture-rooms much more attractive. The deeds for the tracts of land purchased from the heirs of the Hamilton estate have been secured during the year, and the college is now in possession of a large and valuable addition to its campus.

The financial condition of the college is, on the whole, encouraging. The whole amount of money paid into the treasury, including contributions and bequests, during the year was \$33,382.44. First and foremost among these gifts is a contribution of \$5,000, made through the president of the Board of Trustees, by Mr. E. T. Stotesbury, of Philadelphia. A legacy of \$482.72 was received from the estate of the late Ellen Hefright, of Huntingdon, Pa., and \$1,425 from the estate of the late Francis R. Boyer, of Hellertown, Pa. The sum of \$1,283.22 has been contributed to establish a department of Applied Electricity and Physics, \$1,100 of which was contributed by the Hon. George F. Baer, president of the Board of Trustees. Information has also been received that the Rev. Dr. Herman Rust, deceased, of Tiffin, Ohio, under the provisions of his will, probated on September 5, 1905, made a bequest of \$300 to his alma mater, Franklin and Marshall College. The estate, however, is to remain intact for five years after his death. The whole amount of indebtedness on the Science Building has been cancelled out of the proceeds of money collected in the Eastern Synod and through the payment of \$5,000 by the Hon. W. U. Hensel,

in fulfilment of a conditional pledge, made some time ago. There is still a deficit of \$2,738.55 in this year's account. But as repairs were made to the extent of \$655.55, the whole amount of expenditures over income is only about \$2,000. The endowment funds of the college are as follows:

Franklin and Marshall College Endowment.....	\$169,780 28
Presidency Endowment	40,000 00
Audenried Professorship	33,550 00
Alumni Professorship	6,148 58
Daniel Scholl Observatory.....	10,000 00
L. H. Diehl Trust Fund.....	2,000 00
Paul Heine Endowment (German Alcove in Lib- rary Building)	1,000 00
John W. Wetzel Prize Fund.....	250 00
R. K. Buehrle Prize Fund.....	200 00
Total	\$262,926 86

It is pleasant to report that Messrs. Hartman and Buchheit, who have been working in the field during the past year, have been very successful and there is every prospect that the work undertaken by them will be carried to the desired issue in due time. The whole amount of cash and pledges received during the year from all sources is for the college, \$35,218.50; for the academy, \$20,200.00; making a total of \$55,418.50. The amount secured in all toward the raising of the proposed \$150,000 is, up to date, \$138,000. Mr. Hartman is working on the raising of \$37,500 to meet Mr. Carnegie's offer of \$37,500 for the new academy building. The amount secured up to this time is \$27,000. It is highly important, therefore, that the work in hand should be prosecuted with unflagging energy to its completion.

The demands made upon the college in the present juncture of affairs are great; but the condition of the college has never been better and the outlook has never been more hopeful. The college, therefore, confidently asks for the continued support of the Synods and the pastors of the different charges, both in securing an open field for Messrs. Hartman and Buchheit, and in directing students to the halls of their own literary institution.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR,
President of Franklin and Marshall College.

(b) **Report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.**
To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

BRETHREN: The Board of Visitors met in annual session May 8-10, 1906, and reorganized by the election of Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., President, and the undersigned, Secretary. A special meeting was held July 31, 1906. The matters which claimed the attention of the Board at both meetings are presented in this report.

1. The Seminary year began September 14, 1905, and closed May 10, 1906, during which time the work of the institution was carried on without interruption. Twelve students were admitted to the Junior class. Of this number, three were special students, one of whom, on account of the failure of his eyes, was compelled to drop the study of Hebrew. One member of this class was not advanced. Another, viz., John J. Marcks, was ordered home by his physician, by reason of impaired health. The class thus reduced was advanced to the Middle class, and is as follows:

Rev. John Waggoner Ault,
 John Edward Boomershine,
 Theodore Clarence Brown,
 Oscar Strickler Frantz,
 Norman Louis Horn,

Charles Andrew Huyett,
 Rev. John Warren Klein,
 John Calvin Sanders,
 Henry Irvin Stahr,
 John Baer Stoudt.

—Total, 10.

2. The Middle class consisted of the members of the former Junior class, except that Clarence J. McHose found it impossible, in addition to other work in which he was engaged, to continue his course; and consequently dropped out of his class. The Middlers were advanced. Total, 9.

3. At the opening of the Seminary year, the Senior class numbered twenty. Two members of this class, viz., L. Nevin Wilson and Morris G. Schucher, were permitted to continue their studies *in absentia*, while engaged in teaching. It is their purpose to complete their course in 1907. John F. Buchheit is absent, by permission, to serve as agent for Franklin and Marshall College. William D. Marburger passed his examination with the class of 1905, but having been absent that year, while engaged in teaching, by the rule of the institution, he became a member of the class of 1906. The usual testimonial was granted to the Seniors, viz:

Guy P. Bready,
J. Frank Bucher,
William M. Diefenderfer,
George K. Ely,
J. Albert Eyster,
John F. Frantz,
Roy J. Freeman,
Edward A. G. Hermann,
L. Valmore Hetrick,

David B. Kline,
Elmer G. Leinbach,
William D. Marburger,
J. Arthur Schaeffer,
J. Monroe Shellenberger,
Elam J. Snyder,
Chalmers W. Walck,
Milton Whitener.

—Total, 17.

4. The students made a good record for industry in study, exemplary Christian conduct and activity in mission and other Church work. No case of discipline occurred during the year.

5. Three students were admitted to the Junior year of the post-graduate course, viz: Rev. William U. Brong, Rev. William F. DeLong and Rev. U. Jerome Leinbach.

6. In accordance with the action of the Synods of 1905, the faculty has been enlarged by the addition of Revs. John I. Swander, D.D., and Dr. Irwin Hoch DeLong. The former delivered a course of seven lectures during the year, and the latter entered upon his duties, as Instructor in Old Testament Science, January 8, 1906. These professors were formally inducted May 10, 1906, at a service at which the President of the Board presided. By the enlargement of the faculty, a more extensive field of study was made possible, and the curriculum has been revised and improved. The Seminary is now well equipped and the Synods are to be congratulated on the faithfulness and devotion to their work of the men to whom has been entrusted the responsible duty of training young men for the ministry.

7. The services of Rev. John M. Chambers, Professor of Oratory, continue to be satisfactory. Arrangements have, therefore, been made to retain him in his present position. For this purpose we respectfully ask an appropriation of \$750.00, to be divided as follows: Eastern Synod, \$375.00; Pittsburgh Synod, \$125.00; Synod of the Potomac, \$250.00.

8. Rev. John C. Bowman, D.D., has been continued in his successful work of canvassing for the endowment of the Seminary. In addition to his labors in the above field, he delivered a course of lectures on Pastoral Theology. The other professors assisted him in his department, in order to enable him to canvass for funds.

9. The attention of the Synods is again called to the small number of students for the ministry. The faculty prepared a circular for Seminary Day, which was sent to all the members of the three Synods, and in which attention is called to the above-named condition. It is hoped that by the observance of this day, and the consequent appeals from the pulpits, young men will be aroused to a sense of duty and the glory of sacrifice in the service of our Lord Jesus Christ.

10. The term of the following members of the Board expires with this year:

Eastern Synod—Rev. Samuel G. Wagner, D.D., Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, D.D., LL.D., Rev. B. B. Ferer, D.D. .

Synod of the Potomac—Rev. J. Spangler Kieffer, D.D., Rev. T. J. Barkley, D.D.

11. On July 5, 1906, at the request of the members of the faculty of the Ursinus School of Theology, Doctors Gast, Richards and Schaeffer met in conference with Doctors Good, Bromer, Hinke and Vollmer, at Philadelphia, Pa., to consider the feasibility of uniting the Ursinus School of Theology with the Theological Seminary at Lancaster. Certain resolutions were adopted at this conference and signed by all the members. The said resolutions were laid before the faculty of the Seminary, with a view to request a special meeting of the Board of Visitors to consider them. Before this could be done, the faculty received notice that the Board of Directors of Ursinus College had disapproved the original resolutions and amended them. Notwithstanding this, the faculty issued its request for a meeting of the Board of Visitors, which request was favorably received, and the Board met in special session July 31st. The original resolutions were laid before the Board, as suggestive of action that might be taken to secure the end in view, viz: the union of the two theological schools. The action taken by the Board was favorable to union, was unanimous and was at once transmitted to those representing the Ursinus School of Theology. For the information of the Church, the original resolutions and the action of the Board were published in the Church papers. We have since received notice that the Board of Directors of Ursinus College declines to accept the action of this Board.

and, therefore, there is nothing to report relative to the matter, save the above recital of facts.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS K. KREMER.

Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 1, 1906.

(c) Report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

To the Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: Enclosed find the annual report of John B. Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary, at Lancaster, Pa.

During the past year, the Board held two regular meetings. The first meeting was held May 9, 1906, when the following officers were elected: President, John W. Appel, Esq.; Vice-President, John D. Skiles; Treasurer, John B. Roth, and Secretary, Hon. Jeremiah S. Hess.

At the request of the faculty, Dr. Bowman was continued in the field, as representative of the Endowment Committee, the other professors to divide the Seminary work.

The second meeting was held October 8, 1906. The Building Committee reported that they had erected a double brick house for two of the professors, of suitable size and good materials, on the lots bought of Rev. Theodore Appel, at the corner of James and Pine streets, agreeably to instructions, for \$12,797.88.

The attention of the Synods is especially called to the report of the Treasurer, which shows how inadequate the endowment of the Seminary has been to meet the necessary expenses of the Seminary. Three members of the Board, viz: John W. Appel, Esq., William R. Barnhart and Jeremiah S. Hess were appointed to appear before the respective Synods and explain, if necessary, the report of the Treasurer.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Synods be requested to appropriate \$6,000 towards the payment of the current expenses of the Seminary, and in part payment of the deficit, in the following ratio:

Eastern Synod	\$3,000 00
Potomac Synod	2,000 00
Pittsburg Synod	1,000 00

The terms of Eugene Santee, M.D., John D. Skiles and Jacob H. Stein, of the Eastern Synod, expire 1906.

The terms of J. B. Shullenberger and Charles M. Wolff, Esq., of the Potomac Synod, expire 1906.

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS, *Secretary.*

(d) Report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary

JOHN B. ROTH, *Treasurer, in Account with the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.*

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1905.		
Oct.	2.	For interest paid by John F. Basler, to October 1, 1905
		\$13 75
	2.	For interest paid by A. D. Conner, to October 1, 1905
		137 50
	3.	For interest paid by C. S. Herr "Hensel," to October 1, 1905
		100 00
	5.	For interest paid by E. M. Eshleman, to Oct. 1, 1905.....
		120 00
	11.	For interest paid by W. U. Hensel (Akron), to Oct. 1, 1905.....
		50 00
	11.	For rebate, M. by H., \$6.00, less Recorder's charge, \$2.50.....
		3 50
	12.	For interest paid by W. F. Hambright, to Oct. 1, 1905
		33 75
	17.	Kieffer legacy, on account
		222 50
	17.	For interest on Cook legacy, to Oct. 1, 1905
		30 00
	31.	For interest on West End Traction Bonds, to Nov. 1, 1905
		2 50
	31.	Hazleton, Sunbury & Wilkesbarre, to Nov. 1, 1905.....
		28 00
	31.	Scranton Traction Co., to Nov. 1, 1905
		30 00
	31.	Baltimore & Harrisburg, to Nov. 1, 1905
		23 00
	31.	For interest paid by C. H. Locher, on account
		50 00
	31.	For interest paid by C. H. Locher, on account
		10 00
Nov.	17.	For interest paid by W. H. Rineer, on account
		24 00
	29	Penna. R. R. Stock, Nov., 1905.....
		150 00
Dec.	1.	Lehigh Valley R. R. Bonds, to Dec. 1, 1905
		150 00
	6.	For interest paid by George W. Richards, D.D., to Sept. 11, 1905.....
		15 00
	7.	For interest paid by C. H. Locher, to date
		49 00
	9.	Baltimore & Harrisburg Coupon, S. tax
		2 00
	26.	For interest paid by W. F. Hambright, to Jan. 1, 1906
		16 88
	30.	Conestoga Traction Bonds, Jan. 1, 1906
		100 00
	30.	Washington & Lake Erie Bonds, Jan 1, 1906
		150 00

906.			
..	1.	Rev. J. C. Bowman, telephone	\$3 00
	5.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co., 58.....	20 00
	8.	Becker property, to Jan. 8, 1906	70 70
	10.	Harrisburg Bridge Co., to Jan. 2, 1906	2 55
	15.	H. Wood Flinn, to Jan. 1, 1906	62 50
	31.	Salem Coal Bonds, to Feb. 1, 1906.....	25 00
..	1.	Interest on loan to Feb. 1, 1906, J. C. B.	1 68
	15.	Mrs. A. A. Fritz, to April 1, 1906.....	58 75
h.	1.	Springfield Water Bonds, to March 1, 1906	37 50
	1.	Berwyn Water Bonds, to March 1, 1906	60 00
	1.	Harrisburg Bridge Co., to Feb. 1, 1906	2 50
	7.	John F. Bassler, to April 1, 1906	12 50
	10.	E. H. Perry, mortgage, to Feb. 18, 1906	60 00
	15.	Benj. S. Schindle, to April 1, 1906.....	125 00
	23.	George W. Schroyer, to April 1, 1906..	95 00
	28.	Frank G. Wesley, to April 1, 1906.....	48 00
	28.	Sue R. Wolfersberger, to April 1, 1906.	75 00
	29.	John B. Roth, Jr., to April 1, 1906.....	112 50
	30.	Lancaster Trac. Co., to April 1, 1906..	137 50
	30.	Hardware Co., to April 1, 1906.....	2 50
	31.	E. M. Eshleman, to April 1, 1906	120 00
	31.	A. D. Conner, to April 1, 1906	137 50
	31.	C. S. Herr (W. U. Hensel), to April 1, 1906	100 00
ir.	2.	S. J. Johnson, to April 1, 1906	37 50
	2.	Simon Shissler, to April 1, 1906	87 50
	2.	W. U. Hensel, Trustee, to April 1, 1906	50 00
	3.	P. M. Ermentrout, deceased, to April 1, 1906.....	225 00
	4.	John C. Bowman, to April 1, 1906.....	20 00
	4.	Interest on loan, John C. Bowman, to April 1, 1906.....	6 67
	4.	Telephone, John C. Bowman, to July 1, 1906	3 00
	17.	Kieffer Legacy, to April 1, 1906.....	252 50
	17.	Cook Legacy, to April 1, 1906.....	30 00
	19.	Rev. C. W. Levan, in full.....	14 10
ly	1.	Sunbury, Hazleton & Wilkesbarre, to May 1, 1906	28 00
	1.	Scranton Traction Co., to May 1, 1906.	30 00
	1.	Baltimore & Harrisburg, to May 1, 1906	25 00
	1.	West End Traction, to May 1, 1906 ..	2 50
	30.	Penna. R. R. Stock, to May 1, 1906 ..	150 00
	30.	Discount returned by Dr. King.....	4 66
ne	1.	Lehigh Valley, to June 1, 1906	150 00
	18.	Cash received for pailings sold	2 00
	28.	St. John's church, to June 1, 1906 (Shamokin)	25 00
	29.	Amos Christ, interest to April 1, 1906.	90 00
	29.	Lehigh Classis, to April 1, 1906.....	15 00
	30.	Washington & Lake Erie, July 1, 1906	150 00
	30.	Conestoga Trac. Co., July 1, 1906.....	100 00
ly	2.	Telephone, J. C. B., to October 1, 1906	3 00
	3.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co., dividend, July 1, 1906.....	20 00
	3.	Interest on loan to date.....	39 18
	5.	H. Wood Flinn, to July 1, 1906.....	62 50
	31.	Interest on Salem Coal Bonds, to August 1, 1906	25 00

Aug. 14.	Interest paid by W. H. Rineer, on account	\$50 00	
Sept. 4.	Berwyn Water Co., interest to Sept. 1, 1906	60 00	
4.	Springfield Water Co., interest to Sept. 1, 1906	37 50	
5.	E. H. Perry, interest on mortgage to Aug. 18, 1906	60 00	
12.	Interest on Harrisburg Bridge Co., to Aug. 1, 1906	2 50	
19.	E. M. Eshleman, interest to Oct. 1, 1906	120 00	
20.	George W. Schroyer, interest to Oct. 1, 1906	95 00	
24.	Interest on loan to May 7, 1907	5 00	
28.	Lancaster Traction Co., interest to Oct. 1, 1906	137 50	
28.	Reading H. W. Co., interest to Oct. 1, 1906	35 00	
28.	John B. Roth, Jr., interest to Oct. 1, 1906	112 50	
28.	G. W. Richards, D.D., interest to Sept. 11, 1906	15 00	
29.	John C. Bowman, interest to Oct. 1, 1906	35 00	
29.	Telephone	3 00	
29.	Balance due of Seminary Aid Fund, charged to Treasurer	2,894 29	
29.	Balance interest on Endowment Fund from Seminary Aid Fund	1,276 57	
			\$9,438 03
DEBIT			
Oct. 1.	Amount of balance due Endowment Fund	9,221 96	
			<u>\$18,659 99</u>

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1905.			
Oct. 2.	By amount balance due Endowment Fund	\$8,933 95	
	By amount paid—		
3.	Seminary electric light bill for Sept., '05	2 48	
3.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary for Oct., 1905	50 00	
3.	Steinman Hardware Co., in full	4 02	
3.	Expenses of Committee on Increase of Endowment Fund	200 00	
4.	P. O. box rent to Jan. 1, 1906	1 00	
9.	Penna. Telephone Co., to Dec. 31, 1905	9 00	
12.	George W. Richards, D.D., as per receipt	3 00	
14.	Electric Supply Co., bill	75	
23.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to Oct. 1, 1905	11 90	
27.	Frederick Pontz, in full	13 92	
Nov. 1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary account	200 00	
1.	George W. Richards, D.D., on salary account	200 00	
1.	Rev. C. Noss, on salary account	200 00	
1.	J. M. Chambers, salary for Nov., 1905	50 00	
3.	Seminary electric light bill for Oct., '05	3 30	

10.	Reformed Church Publication Board, on account	\$45 00
10.	Intelligencer Printing Co., bill	3 75
10.	B. B. Martin Co., in full	7 38
10.	Lancaster Gas Light Co., meter rent ..	75
14.	Margaret Malone, stenographer	26 50
16.	Henry S. Rich, Ins. Agt., Becker prop- erty	4 20
23.	Seminary adv. in "Christian World," 1906	6 00
23.	John B. Roth, Treasurer, on salary ...	35 00
c. 4.	J. M. Chambers, salary for Dec., 1905.	50 00
6.	G. W. Richards, salary to Jan. 1, 1906.	175 00
6.	Christopher Noss, salary to Jan. 1, 1906	175 00
6.	Seminary electric light bill for Nov., '05	4 85
8.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1906	175 00
11.	John B. Roth, salary to Jan. 1, 1906..	90 00
13.	Postage stamps for Seminary use	5 00
13.	Margaret Malone, stenographer, to Dec. 7, 1905	12 00
21.	Expenses of Committee on Seminary Endowment Fund, new	100 00
36.		
d. 1.	Discount on Dr. H. King's note	4 66
2.	Seminary electric light bill, Dec., 1905	4 50
2.	Powell & Fisher, on account of bill, Nov., 1905	128 98
3.	Powell & Fisher, bill of Dec. 23, 1905..	1 60
3.	J. M. Chambers, salary for Jan., 1906..	50 00
4.	Intelligencer, printing bill	3 75
4.	Penna. Telephone Co., to April 1, 1906	9 00
6.	Seminary adv. in Homestead Church Directory, 1906	2 00
9.	P. O. box rent, to April 1, 1906	1 00
10.	Prof. Irwin Hoch DeLong, on account	125 00
11.	W. R. Barnhart, com. on S. building..	13 50
12.	Margaret Malone, stenographer, Jan. 4, 1906	12 00
15.	Shreiner & Stauffer, bill to date	8 36
19.	Seminary adv. in Church Almanac, '06	23 00
22.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to Jan. 1, 1906	10 85
25.	Reformed Church Publication Board, Seminary adv.	45 00
26.	Discount on Endt note. Rev. Strunck.	8 75
b. 2.	George W. Richards, D.D., on salary..	200 00
2.	J. M. Chambers, salary for Feb., 1906..	50 00
2.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary	200 00
2.	Rev. C. Noss, on salary	200 00
2.	Seminary electric light bill for Jan., '06	6 75
5.	Lancaster Gas Co., meter rent to Feb. 1, 1906	75
5.	Postage stamps, Seminary use	1 00
10.	Fisher & Powell's bill in full	100 00
12.	Margaret Malone, stenographer, to Feb. 1, 1906	12 00
24.	H. W. Klenck, slating bill	3 00
26.	Lancaster Electric Supply Co., bill, Feb. 10, 1906	5 27

	23.	Margaret Malone, stenographer, March 1, 1906.....	\$12 00
	23.	Intelligencer, Catalogue bill, Seminary order	27 25
Mar.	1.	George W. Richards, D.D., salary to April 1, 1906.....	175 00
	1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to April 1, 1906 ..	175 00
	1.	Rev. C. Noss, salary to April 1, 1906..	175 00
	1.	J. M. Chambers, salary for March, 1906 ..	50 00
	1.	Seminary electric light bill for Feb., '06 ..	4 82
	2.	Postage stamps, Seminary Catalogues ..	12 00
	5.	Eebensshade & Co., coal bill, in full....	181 07
	5.	Intelligencer, Seminary Catalogue bill, with F. & M.....	69 28
	17.	Expenses of Committee on Increase of Endowment Fund	12 25
	19.	George W. Richards, postage stamps, Seminary use	5 00
	25.	Expenses of Committee on 1905 Endowment Fund.....	50 00
	29.	John B. Roth, Treasurer, salary to Apr. 1, 1906.....	125 00
	31.	James Smithgall, salary to April 1, 1906 ..	210 00
Apr.	2.	Miss Malone, stenographer, April 1, '06 ..	12 00
	2.	Philip Nolty, bill to date.....	6 80
	2.	Edison Electric light bill for Mch., 1906 ..	5 07
	2.	Rev. C. Noss, postage stamps.....	3 50
	3.	Express charges paid	55
	3.	Prof. Irwin Hoch DeLong, on account ..	50 00
	3.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary for April, 1906	50 00
	6.	P. O. box rent	1 00
	9.	Penna. Telephone Co., to June 30, 1906 ..	9 00
	10.	George W. Richards, D.D., on salary account	100 00
	14.	James Smithgall's bill, fence repairs..	23 00
	21.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to April 1, 1906	8 85
	21.	Seminary water bill, Bowman, to April 1, 1906.....	8 05
	24.	Intelligencer, printing bill of March 22, 1906	2 25
	27.	Margaret Malone, stenographer, April, 1906	12 00
May	2.	Seminary electric light bill for April, '06 ..	4 85
	2.	Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary for May, 1906	50 00
	2.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary account... ..	200 00
	2.	George W. Richards, D.D., on salary account	100 00
	2.	Rev. C. Noss, on salary account.....	200 00
	2.	Class '92, Irvine, to May 8, 1906.....	24 50
	2.	Schaff Prize Fund, to May 8, 1906....	100 00
	2.	Diets Prize Fund, to April 1, 1906....	100 00
	4.	John B. Kendig, bill in full.....	15 00
	5.	Seminary gas meter rent, to May 1, '06 ..	75
	9.	E. O. Herr, bill, repairs.....	2 40
	10.	George W. Richards, D.D., to pay for Annual Sermon	25 00

	10.	City water tax on Seminary property, to April 1, 1907.....	38 00
	11.	Expenses of Committee on Endowment Increase	100 00
	11.	A. W. Barley, bill of printing.....	7 00
	19.	Lancaster Home Mutual Fire Insurance Company	9 08
	29.	Miss M. Malone, stenographer, to May 16, 1906.....	6 00
ne	1.	J. M. Chambers, salary for June, 1906.	50 00
	1.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to July 1, 1906	175 00
	1.	G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to July 1, 1906.....	175 00
	1.	Rev. C. Noes, salary to July 1, 1906..	175 00
	1.	Seminary electric light bill for May, '06	3 60
	7.	John B. Roth, Treasurer, on salary...	50 00
	9.	Utensil Grinding Co.....	\$1 60
	9.	Intelligencer Printing Co.....	2 50
	9.	James Smithgall, bill for sundry repairs	149 00
	15.	Seminary adv. in "Obituary Record," F. & M. College.....	12 50
	18.	For trimming trees on campus.....	1 25
	22.	Fisher & Powell, bill for repairs.....	2 05
	26.	John B. Roth, Treasurer, salary to July 1, 1906.....	75 00
	29.	Prof. Chambers, salary for July and August, 1906.....	100 00
	30.	James Smithgall, bill for repairs (see bill)	175 00
ly	2.	Interest paid Dietz Library Fund to April 1, 1906.....	90 00
	2.	Interest paid Forney Alcove Fund, to April 1, 1906.....	22 50
	2.	Interest paid Schriver Alcove Fund, to April 1, 1906.....	22 50
	2.	Seminary Library Fund, to April 1, '06	35 86
	2.	Wirt Alcove Fund, to April 1, 1906...	22 50
	5.	Seminary electric light bill for June, '06	1 00
	5.	Box rent to Oct. 1, 1906.....	1 00
	5.	Penna. Telephone Co., to Oct. 1, 1906	9 00
	19.	F. A. Gast, D.D., on salary account..	200 00
	19.	G. W. Richards, D.D. on salary account	200 00
	19.	Rev. C. Noes, on salary account.....	200 00
	19.	Reformed Church Pub. Board, bill...	5 00
	20.	W. H. Guthrie, bill of painting	54 25
	23.	Seminary water bill, by meter, to July 1, 1906.....	11 55
ag.	1.	Margaret Malone, stenographer.....	4 30
	2.	Seminary electric light bill for July, '06	1 00
	4.	One-half M. S. Falck bill of line fence..	19 21
	16.	Baumgardner Co., coal bill.....	180 00
	17.	Jos. A. Eibel, bill for concrete steps...	25 00
	17.	Intelligencer, printing bill.....	2 25
	21.	Samuel Hocking, lawn mower repairs.	1 75
	21.	Rev. C. Noes, Seminary Day expenses.	11 25
	24.	New Era Printing Co., bill.....	5 75
pt.	3.	Seminary electric light bill for Aug., '06	2 60
	4.	I. M. Chambers, salary to Oct. 1, 1906.	50 00
	8.	F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1906	175 00

8.	Geo. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1906.....	\$175 00	
8.	Rev. C. Noes, salary to Oct. 1, 1906..	175 00	
12.	Pennsylvania Telephone Co., bill, special	1 70	
14.	Henry Wirt Alcove, int. to Oct. 1, 1906	22 50	
14.	Schrivver Alcove, int. to Oct. 1, 1906..	22 50	
14.	Forney Alcove, int. to Oct. 1, 1906...	22 50	
14.	Seminary Library Fund, int. to Oct. 1, 1906	43 94	
14.	Dietz Library Fund, int. to Oct. 1, 1906	90 00	
17.	Smalts Fund, int. to Oct. 1, 1906.....	250 00	
17.	Klopp Fund, int. to Oct. 1, 1906.....	40 00	
18.	George W. Schroyer, bill for grass seed	16 00	
19.	W. U. Hensel, attorney, services to Oct. 1, 1906	50 00	
19.	Lancaster Trust Co., security on Treasurer's bond	50 00	
19.	John B' Roth, Treasurer, salary to Oct. 1, 1906.....	125 00	
19.	James Smithgall, janitor, salary to Oct. 1, 1906.....	210 00	
19.	Postage stamps for Seminary use, G. W. R.....	5 00	
20.	Expenses of Committee on 1905 New Endowment	100 00	
22.	Barry & Zecher, bill in full	22 64	
28.	Benj. Gertler, bill of repairs.....	15 00	
29.	C. Hocking, bill of repairs.....	1 25	
29.	J. C. Bowman, D.D., repairs at house.	183 90	
			\$18,659 99

LIBRARY FUND OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

1906.		
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund, principal, is.....	\$2,293 36

Dr.

For int. on fund to Oct. 1, 1906.....	\$97 30
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Cr.

1906.		
Oct. 1.	By balance due Treasurer.....	\$5 27
	By sundry bills paid for books bought by Seminary Faculty to Oct. 1, 1906	79 40
		<u>84 67</u>

1906.		
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund.....	\$12 63

SMALTZ FUND FOR BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

1906.		
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$5,000 00

Dr.

For interest on same to Oct. 1, 1906..	\$250 00
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Cr.

1906.		
Sept. 17.	By int. paid John Hertsler, Treas., in full, to Oct. 1, 1906.....	250 00

WILLIAM A. WILT FUND FOR ENDOWMENT.

1906.			
Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$833 83
		And interest paid to Oct. 1, 1906, and accounted for in Treasurer's current expense account of Seminary.....	\$41 63

SCHAFF PRIZE FUND IN CHURCH HISTORY.

1906.			
Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$2,000 75
		Dr.	

1906.			
May	2.	For interest on same to date.....	\$100 00
		Cr.	

1906.			
May	8.	By balance due Seminary Treasurer..	\$3 49
		By annual prize paid	100 00
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			\$103 49
		Amount Dr. brought down.....	100 00
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		Due Seminary Treasurer.....	\$3 49

SEMINARY CLASS '92 PRIZE FUND.

1905.			
May	8.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$490 33
Dec.	9.	Check from Dr. W. M. Irvine.....	23 78
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			\$514 11
		Dr.	

1906.			
May	2.	For interest to May 8, 1906.....	\$24 50
		Cr.	

1906.			
May	8.	By annual prize paid per award of Com.	20 00
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		Balance due Fund.....	\$4 50

JACOB L. RIEGEL ENDOWMENT FUND.

1906.			
Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$15,680 00
		Interest on this Fund is accounted for in the Treasurer's current expense account to Oct. 1, 1906.	

JACOB FORNEY SEMINARY ALCOVE FUND.

1906.			
Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$1,000 00
		Dr.	

1905.			
Oct.	1.	For balance due Fund.....	\$65 77

1906.			
Oct.	1.	For interest to date.....	45 00
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			\$110 77

		Cr.	
		By sundry bills paid for books bought for Alcove by Seminary Faculty, to Oct. 1, 1906 (see vouchers).....	59 82
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		Balance due Fund, Oct. 1, 1906.....	\$50 95

ANDREW KEISER AND CATHARINE W. SCHRIVER LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1906.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$1,000 00	
1905.	Dr.		
Oct. 1.	For balance due Fund.....	\$113 57	
1906.			
Sept. 17.	For interest to Oct. 1, 1906.....	45 00	
		<u>\$158 57</u>	
	Cr.		
	By sundry bills paid for books bought by Seminary Faculty for Alcove, to Oct. 1, 1906 (see vouchers).....	68 95	
		<u></u>	
1906.			
Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund.....	\$89 62	

HENRY WIRT ALCOVE FUND.

1906.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$1,000 00	
1905.	Dr.		
Oct. 1.	For balance due Fund.....	\$99 49	
1906.			
Oct. 1.	For interest on same to Oct. 1, 1906..	45 00	
		<u>\$144 49</u>	
	Cr.		
1906.			
Oct. 1.	By sundry bills paid for books bought by Seminary Faculty for Alcove, to Oct. 1, 1906	87 40	
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Oct. 1.	Balance due Fund.....	\$57 09	

JACOB Y. DIETZ LIBRARY FUND.

1906.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$4,000 00	
	Dr.		
1905.			
Oct. 1.	For balance due Fund.....	\$251 95	
	For interest on same to Oct. 1, 1906..	180 00	
		<u>\$431 95</u>	
	Cr.		
1906.			
Oct. 1.	By sundry bills paid for books bought by Seminary Faculty, to Oct. 1, 1906 (see vouchers)	310 58	
		<u></u>	
	Balance due Fund.....	\$121 37	

SEMINARY CLASS '94 ALCOVE FUND.

1894.			
July 1.	Amount of notes placed in hands of Treasurer of Seminary for collection	\$981 00	
1906.			
Oct. 1.	Notes paid to date, cash.....	\$608 00	
1.	Notes unpaid to date.....	373 00	
		<u></u>	981 00

	Amount of cash brought down	\$608 00
	Amount of interest to Oct. 1, 1906, in hands of Seminary Treasurer is....	159 14
1906. Oct. 1.	Amount of cash in hands of Treasurer.	\$767 15

JACOB T. DIETZ PRIZE FUND.

1905. May 7.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$2,000 00
1906. May 2.	Dr. For interest on same to April 1, 1906	\$100 00
1906. May 7.	Cr. By amt. prize paid per award of Com.	100 00

SEMINARY AID FUND.

	Dr. For amount received from—	
1905. Oct. 10.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	\$200 00
16.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	6 41.
17.	S. M. Gingerich, Treasurer of Eastern Synod....	98 45
Nov. 21.	S. M. Gingerich, Treasurer of Eastern Synod....	167 00
Dec. 28.	S. M. Gingerich, Treasurer of Eastern Synod....	71 36
1906. Jan. 29.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod ..	18 00
30.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	278 00
Feb. 16.	Dr. A. J. Heller, Treasurer of Pittsburgh Synod.	200 00
20.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	80 50
Mar. 7.	Zion's Classis of Potomac Synod.....	37 96
14.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	19 00
May 9.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	531 29
15.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	348 00
June 2.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	376 16
7.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	254 20
27.	Dr. A. J. Heller, Treasurer of Pittsburgh Synod.	200 00
Aug. 1.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	150 80
4.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	40 00
Aug. 28.	Dr. A. J. Heller, Treasurer of Pittsburgh Synod.	200 00
Sept. 14.	W. M. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod...	47 00
14.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	846 50
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		\$4,170 86

Cr.

By interest paid on Endowment Funds, as follows:

1906. Oct. 1.	Interest due Seminary Fund, Oct. 1, 1905.....	\$8,933 95
	James Street lot	763 00
	Evans lot.....	775 00
	Janitor's house	1,391 30
	Appel lot	5,750 00
	Moore and Harnish	3,500 00
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		\$21,113 25
	Endowment Fund used.....	8,836 48
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	Interest paid on same by Seminary Aid Fund is.	\$29,949 73
		\$1,276 57

Amount Dr. brought down.....	\$4,179 96
Less interest	1,276.57
Sept. 29. Balance charges to Treasurer as income.....	\$2,894 39

PITTSBURGH SYNOB ENDOWMENT FUND.

Amount of Fund is..... \$30,300 00

Da.

Interest on same to Oct. 1, 1906..... \$1,561 25

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1906.	
Oct. 1.	By amount paid John C. Bowman, D.D., Pittsburgh Synod Prof., per vouchers 1,561 25

STATEMENT OF ALL FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER.

1906.	
Oct. 1.	Endowment Fund of October 1, 1905..... \$96,433 83
Mar. 1.	Miss Ellen Hefright bequest..... 482 72
Sept. 14.	Wilhelm Estate, J. W. B. Bauman, Treasurer.. 613 99
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	J. Riegel Fund, Special..... 15,680 00
	W. A. Wilt Fund, Special..... 833 33
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	\$114,043 87
1906.	
Oct. 1.	New Endowment 1905, paid in by John C. Bow- man, D.D., Treas. of Com. on same..... 6,378 50
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	Total \$120,422 37
	Library Fund 2,293 36
	Smalts Fund 5,000 00
	Class '92 Prize Fund 514 11
	Schaff Prize Fund 2,000 75
	Forney Alcove Fund 1,000 00
	Wirt Alcove Fund 1,000 00
	Schrivver Alcove Fund..... 1,000 00
	Seminary Class '94 Alcove Fund 981 00
	J. Y. Dietz Library Fund 4,000 00
	J. Y. Dietz Prize Fund..... 2,000 00
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	\$140,211 59
	Pittsburg Professorship Fund is 30,500 00
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	\$170,711 59

Respectfully submitted,
Treasurer of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States.
 October 1, 1906.

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Board to examine the several accounts of the Theological Seminary, as presented by the Treasurer, respectfully report that we have attended to the duty assigned us, and find them correct.

JOHN D. SKILES,
 JOHN HERTZLER.

Lancaster, Pa., October 5, 1906.

(c) Annual Report of the Board of Education of Eastern Synod.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The Board of Education organized for the current year at its annual meeting held on May 8, 1906. The following officers were elected: President, Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Harrisburg, Pa.; Secretary, Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. Jno. Hertzler, Lancaster, Pa.

The Treasurer's annual report was received, audited and adopted, and a copy of the report, with that of the Auditing Committee, is herewith submitted.

In the past year, the Board aided eight students for the ministry, the appropriations aggregating \$1,045.00; the Classis of Lancaster aided one, the Classis of Lehigh aided two, the Classis of Tobickon aided two and the Classis of Reading aided three, a total of eight; the appropriations aggregating \$825.00; making the total amount of aid given to students for the ministry, and passing through the treasury of the Board, \$1,870.00.

In the current year, the Board is aiding eight students, the appropriations aggregating \$1,150.00. The Classis of Lancaster is aiding one, the Classis of Lehigh two, the Classis of Tobickon one, and the Classis of Reading one; the appropriations aggregating \$700.00; making the total appropriations for the year, \$1,850.00.

Of the students aided in the past year, four graduated and have entered the ministry.

The Board, on request, cancelled the obligations of a former student, amounting to \$300.00.

Moneys loaned to former students for the ministry were refunded within the year as follows: A former student, \$500.00; Rev. John K. Adams, \$100.00; Rev. Edwin D. Bright, \$257.09; Rev. O. P. Steckel, \$85.00; Mr. John J. Marcks, \$15.33; Mr. Preston F. Strauss, \$475.50; a total of \$1,432.92. Of these repayments, those of Messrs. Marcks and Strauss do not appear in the Treasurer's report, for the reason that they have been paid since his report was presented to the Board.

According to the reports made, all of the Classis of the Synod, except two, have now become auxiliary to the Board, and will

aid their students for the ministry through the Board and in accordance with its rules.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. LICHLITER, *Secretary.*

Lancaster, Pa., October 24, 1906.

TREASURER'S ANNUAL REPORT.

RECEIPTS.

Balance	\$2,103 64
Income from Investments.....	583 50
Offerings of Churches:	
Per Classis of Philadelphia.....	\$49 00
Christ Church, Philadelphia	47 74
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Refunded:	
A former student.....	\$500 00
Rev. John K. Adams.....	100 00
Rev. Edwin D. Bright	257 09
Rev. O. P. Steckel.....	85 00
	<hr/> 942 09
Received from Classes Auxiliary to the Board:	
Classis of Lancaster	\$125 00
Classis of Lehigh	100 00
Classis of Tohickon.....	350 00
Classis of Reading.....	300 00
Classis of East Pennsylvania.....	50 00
	<hr/> 925 00
	<hr/> \$4,650 97

DISBURSEMENTS.

To students aided by the Board	\$1,045 00
To student of Classis of Lancaster.....	\$125 00
To students of Classis of Lehigh.....	100 00
To students of Classis of Tohickon.....	300 00
To students of Classis of Reading.....	300 00
	<hr/> 825 00
	<hr/> \$1,870 00
Investments	1,690 89
Salaries:	
Wm. F. Lichliter, Secretary, salary and postage.....	53 55
Herbert C. Miller, Accountant, salary and postage.....	25 10
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Total disbursements	\$3,639 54
Balance in treasury.....	1,011 43
	<hr/> \$4,650 47

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN HERTLER, *Treas.*

Lancaster, Pa., May 7, 1906.

We the undersigned have examined this report and found it correct as stated.

ELLIS N. KREMER,
S. G. WAGNER.

Lancaster, Pa., May 8, 1906.

(f) Report of the Committee on the Increased Endowment of the Theological Seminary.

BRETHREN: The financial statements herewith presented show the results of the canvass in behalf of the increased endowment of the Theological Seminary during the past synodical year. The work of the year has been confined mainly to the canvass of the ministry of the twenty-five Classes composing the three Synods. The plan proposed at the beginning of the year was to raise, if possible, a fund of not less than \$25,000, to be subscribed by the ministry of the three Synods—an average of \$1,000 per Classis. The undersigned made a personal canvass of twenty-four Classes, while that of North Carolina was conducted by correspondence. The amount pledged and credited to the several Classes to date is \$24,900. The pledges are made payable in annual installments, from one to five years, to suit the convenience of the subscriber. Several subscribers have already made payment in full. More than \$6,000 has been paid into the treasury and is now bearing interest.

The Record of Pledges shows that 275 names are enrolled, with the average subscription of \$90 per minister. In several instances, every alumnus of the Seminary on the Classical list is enrolled, and it is gratifying to find that in the same column are names of subscribers who, while not alumni of the seminary, have no less interest in its welfare.

The record of the canvass of the ministry would seem to be complete without the addition of any further pledges; but the Synods will rejoice to find the opening pages of the historic "Record of Pledges" adorned with the names of ten ministers, within the bounds of the three Synods, whose love for the Church has impelled them to subscribe \$1,000 each for the increase of the endowment of the Theological Seminary. This column is further enriched by the subscription of \$1,000 each from four alumni of the Seminary, whose names, for the present, are withheld from public mention. But though unnamed, they share no less in the gratitude of the Church.

The Class of 1906, recently graduated from the Seminary, completes and crowns the ministerial roll of subscribers to the endowment fund by a pledge of \$1,100 from thirteen of its members. These young men represent the ministry of

the future. Under such leadership, who can forecast the progress and prosperity of our denomination in the various departments of Church work!

From the foregoing statements, it will be seen that the sum of subscriptions to the endowment fund, on the part of our ministry, aggregates \$40,000. It is a noble record of consecration, exhibiting a spirit of devotion and self-sacrifice which reflects no little credit upon the denomination which our ministry represents.

The Board of Trustees, who are the guardians of the material interests of the Seminary, and who, for many years, have urged upon the attention of the Synods the necessity of an increased endowment, needed simply the opportunity to record their pledges in order to show their faithfulness to their official trust. Those whose names are recorded fully merit the gratitude with which the Church accepts these latest pledges of their devotion and liberality. The list of their subscriptions is hereto appended. The sum of their pledges to date is \$13,050.

The total amount pledged by the ministry and the Board of Trustees is \$53,050. To this should be added the pledges volunteered by several laymen, on the floor of the Potomac and Eastern Synods, at their last annual meetings, amounting to \$950; making the total sum of subscriptions to date \$54,000.

This report of the results of the year's work in behalf of the endowment movement is submitted to the Synods with grateful acknowledgment of God's blessings and with high appreciation of the prompt and liberal support rendered by our ministry and the Board of Trustees.

What further success may attend the movement will depend upon the action of the Synods, the continued co-operation of the pastors, faithful work on the part of the Endowment Committee and the character of the response on the part of our people.

It is to our people that the Synods now appeal for offerings, commensurate with their love for the Church and adequate to the needs of our Theological Seminary.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN C. BOWMAN,
Chairman of the Committee.

**STATEMENT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ENDOW-
MENT FUND FROM THE MINISTRY OF THE TWENTY-FIVE
CLASSES OF THE THREE EASTERN SYNODS.**

<i>Pittsburgh Synod.</i>		<i>Potomac Synod.</i>	
Westmoreland Classis ..	\$1,695 00	Zion's Classis	\$700 00
Clarion Classis	925 00	Maryland Classis	1,985 00
St. Paul's Classis	425 00	Mercersburg Classis	750 00
Somerset Classis	990 00	Virginia Classis	500 00
Allegheny Classis	1,510 00	North Carolina Classis ..	160 00
		Gettysburg Classis	475 00
Total	\$5,545 00	Carlisle Classis	500 00
		Juniata Classis	1,095 00
		Total	\$6,155 00
<i>Eastern Synod.</i>			
East Penn'a Classis	\$1,420 00	Tohickon Classis	\$1,000 00
Lebanon Classis	800 00	Goshenhoppen Classis ..	775 00
Philadelphia Classis	800 00	Lehigh Classis	1,800 00
Lancaster Classis	1,900 00	Schuylkill Classis	630 00
E. Susquehanna Classis ..	925 00	Wyoming Classis	750 00
W. Susquehanna Classis ..	850 00	Reading Classis	1,450 00
		Total	\$13,200 00
Sum total	\$24,900 00		

**CLASSICAL AND SYNODICAL PAYMENTS ON THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY
ENDOWMENT ACCOUNT—TO OCTOBER 1, 1906.**

<i>Eastern Synod.</i>		
East Pennsylvania	\$150 00	
Lebanon	95 00	
Philadelphia	285 00	
Lancaster	620 00	
East Susquehanna	125 00	
West Susquehanna	175 00	
Tohickon	170 00	
Goshenhoppen	265 00	
Lehigh	295 00	
Schuylkill	245 00	
Wyoming	270 00	
Reading	435 00	
		\$3,130 00
<i>Pittsburgh Synod.</i>		
Westmoreland	\$315 00	
Clarion	195 00	
St. Paul's	45 00	
Somerset	230 00	
Allegheny	315 00	
		1,100 00
<i>Potomac Synod.</i>		
Zions	\$140 00	
Maryland	967 50	
Mercersburg	495 00	
Virginia	70 00	
North Carolina	45 00	
Gettysburg	125 00	
Carlisle	100 00	
Juniata	175 00	
		2,117 50

Rev. W. E. Hoy, D. D.	\$5 00	
Rev. J. F. Vornholt.....	20 00	
Rev. W. J. Klein	6 00	
		<hr/> 31 00
		<hr/> \$6,378 50

October 5, 1906. Examined and found correct.

JOHN D. SKILES,
JOHN HERTZLER,
Auditors.

LIST OF \$1,000 SUBSCRIPTIONS FROM THE MINISTRY OF THE THREE EASTERN SYNODS TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ENDOWMENT FUND.

Rev. David B. Lady, D.D. Pittsburgh Synod	\$1,000 00
Rev. and Mrs. Chas. R. Ferner, Pittsburgh Synod	1,000 00
Rev. and Mrs. Alpha H. Kline, Pittsburgh Synod.	1,000 00
Name withheld for the present, Pittsburgh Synod.....	1,000 00
Rev. Samuel G. Wagner, D.D., Eastern Synod.....	1,000 00
Rev. and Mrs. Samuel A. Leinbach, Eastern Synod.....	1,000 00
Name withheld for the present, Eastern Synod	1,000 00
Name withheld for the present, Eastern Synod.....	1,000 00
Rev. and Mrs. Isaac M. Motter, Potomac Synod	1,000 00
Rev. Jonas B. Shontz, Potomac Synod	1,000 00
Dr. and Mrs. William Mann Irvine, Potomac Synod	1,000 00
Rev. Joseph W. Santee, D.D., Potomac Synod	1,000 00
Name withheld for the present, Potomac Synod.....	1,000 00
Rev. Isaac N. Peightel, Potomac Synod	1,000 00
Total	<hr/> \$14,000 00

SUBSCRIPTION TO THE ENDOWMENT FUND OF THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY FROM THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

Mr. Israel Loucks	\$10,000 00
Mr. John Hertzler	1,000 00
Mr. John D. Skiles	1,000 00
Other members	1,050 00
Total	<hr/> \$13,050 00

II.—Report of the Standing Committee on F. and M. College and the Eastern Theological Seminary.

The report of the College and Seminary was presented on Monday, during the morning session; acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The following documents were referred to your committee on F. and M. College and Seminary:

1. The report of the President of F. and M. College.
2. The Catalogue of F. and M. College.
3. The report of the Board of Visitors of the Eastern Theological Seminary.
4. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary.

5. The report of the Treasurer of the Seminary.

6. The report of the Endowment Committee of the Seminary.

7. Report of the Board of Education.

Your committee offers for your consideration and action the following:

(a) FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE.

From the report of the President we learn that the College has had a prosperous year. There has been an increased attendance in both College and Academy during the past year, and the present year the enrollment will be larger than ever before in the history of the institution. On the whole, the condition of the College is very satisfactory.

The work of instruction has been faithfully carried forward. All the old instructors have been re-appointed, with the exception of the one in the Department of Physical Culture. For this department, the services of Prof. H. B. McLaughlin have been secured.

Attention is called to the fact that in the Department of Mathematics the work is becoming so onerous that the professors ought to be relieved. Because of the need of additional work in Physics and Astronomy, it will be necessary, in the near future, to secure an assistant for this department.

The museum of the college has been enriched by the donation of an extensive and valuable collection of Indian relics, the gift of Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., of Harrisburg, Pa., who deserves the thanks of the institution and of the Synods for this generous contribution.

The interior of the college has been painted and other improvements made, which make the building and the several lecture rooms more attractive and comfortable. The college has also secured the deeds for the tracts of land lately purchased, so that it is now in possession of a large and valuable addition to its campus.

A number of gifts and bequests have been received during the year, a record of which will appear in the minutes of Synod, in the report of the President of the college.

The financial condition of the institution is, on the whole, encouraging. The efforts of Messrs. Hartman and Buchheit, in the work of securing the proposed endowment of \$150,000

for the college and the building fund for the academy, have been very successful, they having secured in cash and pledges a little in excess of \$170,000. While there are pressing needs, in the main, the condition of the college has never been better and the outlook never more hopeful. All this is cause for congratulation, thanks and encouragement.

In view of the foregoing, we recommend the following:

Resolved, 1. That the Synod rejoices in the present prosperity of the college and the encouraging prospects for the future, and commends the good work done by the instructors in the several departments of the institution.

Resolved, 2. That Synod commends anew the college and academy to the earnest support and patronage of the Church, and that the Classes be requested to take such action as will bring the claims and needs of the institution to the attention of our people and to urge pastors and consistories to earnest co-operation with the management in securing new students.

Resolved, 3. That Synod gratefully acknowledges the faithful service rendered by Messrs. Hartman and Buchheit, and rejoices in the result of their work.

Resolved, 4. That Synod requests the Classes to take such action as will aid in speedily completing these funds; and further, that our pastors and consistories be urged to co-operate with the representatives of the college and academy in their canvass for contributions.

(b) THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The reports referring to the work and condition of the Seminary indicates a year of faithful and successful work. Rev. John I. Swander, D.D., associate professor of Systematic Theology, and Rev. Irwin Hoch DeLong, instructor in Old Testament Science, were formally inducted May 10, 1906.

By the enlargement of the faculty, a wider field of study was made possible and the curriculum has been revised and improved.

The services of Rev. John M. Chambers, Professor of Oratory, have been retained for the current year and the Board asks for an appropriation of \$375 for this purpose.

With this year, the term of the following members of the

Board of Visitors expire: Rev. Samuel G. Wagner, D. D., Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, D.D., L.L.D., Rev. B. B. Ferer, D.D.

From the report of the Treasurer it is apparent that the endowment fund is entirely inadequate to meet the enlarging work and increasing cost of maintaining the Seminary.

The trustees report that, according to instructions given them, they have had erected a double brick dwelling house for two of the professors, on the land purchased last year, all at a cost of \$12,797.88.

The Board asks for an appropriation of \$3,000 from this Synod towards the payment of current expenses and in part payment of the deficit.

The terms of Eugene Santee, M.D., John D. Skiles and Jacob H. Stein expire with the present year.

The Endowment Committee, through its chairman, Dr. J. C. Bowman, reports the result of the canvass for the enlargement of the endowment fund, which was confined largely to the ministry, as being a grand total of \$53,000, of which \$40,000 is credited to our ministers—a splendid showing of devotion and sacrifice. The other \$13,000 stand to the credit of the devotion and liberality of the Board of Trustees.

We recommend the following:

Resolved, 1. That this Synod is devoutly grateful to God for His manifest blessing upon the Seminary and rejoices in its continued prosperity.

Resolved, 2. That because of the urgent need of more ministers in our Church, and because of the small number of young men entering our Theological Seminaries, Synod requests the Classes anew to lay upon the hearts and consciences of the pastors the crying need for more laborers in our beloved Zion, urging them to search out capable and worthy young men within their respective fields and influence them, if possible, to take up the work of preparation for the Gospel ministry, aiding them by counsel and such other help as they may be able to give.

Resolved, 3. That Synod approves of the retention of the services of Rev. John M. Chambers, Professor of Oratory, and grants the Board an appropriation of \$375.00 towards payment of his salary.

Resolved, 4. That the sum of \$3,000.00 be apportioned on

the several Classes for Seminary Aid, to meet the deficit and current expenses.

Resolved, 5. That Synod rejoices in the work accomplished by Prof. J. C. Bowman, D.D., in the interest of the endowment of the Seminary and puts upon record its grateful appreciation of the many liberal and loving gifts to this fund by our ministers and by the members of the Board of Trustees. And further, the Synod urges the pastors, through the several Classes, to co-operate with the Endowment Committee in the effort to secure the liberal support of the laity.

Resolved, 6. That Synod approves the action of the Board of Visitors, taken in reference to the proposed union of the two theological schools within the bounds of this Synod.

(c) BOARD OF EDUCATION.

From the report of the Board of Education, we learn that for the current year it is aiding eight students, with an appropriation of \$1,150.00; that five other students are being aided by four different Classes, with an appropriation of \$700.00, all of which passes through the treasury of the Board, making the total appropriation for the year \$1,850.00.

The sum of \$1,432.92 was refunded by former students. There is a balance in the treasury of \$1,011.43.

We recommend as follows:

Resolved, That Synod commends the work of the Board, and asks the Classes to bring this cause to the attention of their people, and to urge the several pastors to make efforts to secure larger contributions for this object.

Respectfully submitted,

T. O. STEM, *Chairman*,

THOS. H. LEINBACH,

FREDERICK C. SEITZ,

A. J. BRESSLER,

J. WELLS EVANS.

In connection with the sixth item of the foregoing report, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod has learned with deep satisfaction of the movement during the past year for a union of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church at Lancaster and the Ursinus School of Theology at Philadelphia. We hereby express our sincere regret that satisfactory terms for such proposed union could not be agreed upon, and cherish

the hope that some method may yet be found for an amicable adjustment of the matter.

Board of Trustees of Theological Seminary.

EASTERN SYNOD.

Term Expires December, 1912.

Eugene Santee, M.D. Philadelphia, Pa.
John D. Skiles Lancaster, Pa.
James F. Hunsicker Allentown, Pa.

Term Expires December, 1910.

John W. Appel, Esq. Lancaster, Pa.
John B. Roth Lancaster, Pa.
John J. Nissley Hummelstown, Pa.

Term Expires December, 1908.

A. J. Brumbach Reading, Pa.
Jeremiah S. Hess Hellerstown, Pa.
John Hertaler Lancaster, Pa.

PITTSBURG SYNOD.

Term Expires 1911.

Herman L. Bear, Esq. Somerset, Pa.

Term Expires 1909.

Peter Keil Pittsburg, Pa.

Term Expires 1907.

Wm. R. Barnhart Greensburg, Pa.

POTOMAC SYNOD.

Term Expires 1912.

C. M. Wolf, Esq. Hanover, Pa.
J. B. Shullenberger Shippensburg, Pa.

Term Expires 1910.

E. A. Shullenberger, D.D.S. Carlisle, Pa.
Robert L. Motter York, Pa.

Term Expires 1908.

Israel Laucks York, Pa.
S. Nevin Hench York, Pa.

John W. Appel, Esq., President; John D. Skiles, Vice-President; Jos. S. Hess, Secretary; John B. Roth, Treasurer.

Board of Visitors of Theological Seminary.**EASTERN SYNOD.***Term Expires 1910.*

Rev. Samuel G. Wagner, D.D.....Lancaster, Pa.
 Rev. N. C. Schaeffer, D.D., LL.D.....Lancaster, Pa.
 Rev. James Crawford, D.D.Philadelphia, Pa.

Term Expires 1908.

Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D.Harrisburg, Pa.
 Rev. Chas. E. Creitz.....Reading, Pa.
 Rev. William D. Happel, D.D.Wilkesbarre, Pa.

PITTSBURG SYNOD.*Term Expires 1909.*

Rev. Andrew J. Heller, D.D.....Connellsville, Pa.

Term Expires 1907.

Rev. D. B. Lady.....Duquesne, Pa.

POTOMAC SYNOD.*Term Expires 1909.*

Rev. J. Spangler Kieffer, D.D.....Hagerstown, Md.
 Rev. Thos. J. Barkley, D.D.....Gettysburg, Pa.

Term Expires 1908.

Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D.....Frederick, Md.
 Rev. J. W. Santee, D.D.....Mercersburg, Pa.
 Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., President; Rev. E. N. Kremer,
 D.D., Secretary.

ARTICLE XIV.**MISSIONS.****I.—Report of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.***To the Eastern (and the Potomac) Synod:*

DEAR BRETHREN: We hereby present to you our annual report, with gratitude to God for the measure of success which has been vouchsafed to the work committed to our hands.

Thirty-nine missions were under our care during the past year. Of these, nineteen belong to the Synod of the Potomac

and twenty to the Eastern Synod. One mission, that at Oak Lane, Pa., became self-sustaining, and one new mission, that at Tatamy, Pa., was enrolled. The reports from the various missions have been encouraging, most of them showing a commendable degree of progress.

Your Board transmitted to the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod the action taken by both your reverend bodies, disapproving the election of a superintendent for these two Synods who had not been nominated by them. The Board of Home Missions of the General Synod thereupon reconsidered its former action, elected Rev. A. C. Whitmer, your nominee, District Superintendent and placed him in charge of the missions within the bounds of these two Synods. He resumed the duties of his office April 1, 1906.

The following were the members of this Board at the beginning of the present Synodical year, with the time when the term of office of each expires:

The Eastern Synod: Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Rev. C. B. Schneder, Elder John J. Nissley, Elder Charles J. Schaeffer and Elder James T. Reber, all on April 1, 1910.

The Synod of the Potomac: Rev. E. R. Deatrick, 1909; Rev. H. H. Apple, 1909; Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D.D., 1908; Rev. L. E. Coblentz, 1908; Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr., 1907; Rev. J. David Miller, 1906; and Rev. N. H. Skyles, 1906. Here the terms expire on April 1st, after the years named.

One of our number, Rev. Charles J. Schaeffer, was called hence to his eternal reward. He was a man full of good works and devoted to his church. We place upon record our appreciation of his worth. The Eastern Synod will notice that a vacancy has been created by his death.

The Eastern Synod will further notice that at its last annual meeting only six members of this Board were elected, though the Synod is entitled to seven members.

The Synod of the Potomac will notice that the term of office of Revs. J. David Miller and N. H. Skyles expires April 1, 1907; also that a vacancy has been created by the removal of Rev. E. R. Deatrick from the bounds of Synod.

At the annual meeting of the Board, held in Salem Reformed church, Harrisburg, Pa., the following officers were

elected for a term of four years: President, William C. Schaeffer, D.D.; Secretary, Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D.; Treasurer, Elder John J. Nissley. These, together with Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Rev. L. E. Coblentz and Rev. H. H. Apple, constitute the Executive Committee.

We are glad to report the following Church Building Funds of \$500 each received from the two Synods, some for the treasury of this Board and the rest for the treasury of the General Board:

From the Eastern Synod: The Rev. Dr. B. B. Ferer Fund, given by the Sunday-school at Riegelsville, Pa.; the Butz-Chidsey Fund, given by Mrs. Matilda Chidsey, of the First church, Easton, Pa.; the Charles J. Schaeffer Fund, given by Mrs. Matilda Schaeffer, of Emanuel's church, Hazleton, Pa., and the Meyer Fund, given by will of Jacob M. Meyer, of Rohrerstown, Pa.

From the Synod of the Potomac: The J. Taylor Motter Fund; the Geo. W. and Agnes Hoffman Fund, No. 3, given by themselves; the Zion's, Hagerstown, Fund, given by Zion's church, Hagerstown, Md.; the Georgietta C. Peightel Fund and the Rev. Isaac N. Peightel Fund, given by will of Mrs. Georgietta C. Peightel, of Greencastle, Pa., and the Mercersburg Academy Fund, given by the students and faculty of that institution.

During the past year, the Mission Band Fund was completed, under the direction of two ladies of Zion's church, Chambersburg, Pa., the contributions having come from the Mission Bands of several Synods.

As a part of this report, we herewith transmit to you the annual report of Treasurer John J. Nissley, which has been duly audited.

WILLIAM C. SCHAEFFER, *President.*

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary.*

II.—Treasurer's Report.

JOHN J. NISSELEY, *Treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States:*

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr.

From the Eastern Synod.

Philadelphia Classis	\$2,102 74
Tohickon Classis	1,414 20

Goshenhoppen Classis	2,618	00
East Pennsylvania Classis	2,460	25
Lebanon Classis	1,947	53
Lancaster Classis	2,125	73
Schuylkill Classis	1,842	58
East Susquehanna Classis	1,717	61
West Susquehanna Classis	2,039	96
Lehigh Classis	1,661	00
Wyoming Classis	1,880	97
Reading Classis	3,040	77
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		\$24,851 34

From the Synod of the Potomac.

Maryland Classis	\$3,283	78
Mercersburg Classis	1,500	26
Virginia Classis	500	00
Zion's Classis	95	24
Juniata Classis	1,826	90
Gettysburg Classis	500	00
North Carolina Classis	611	64
Carlisle Classis	804	47
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		9,122 29
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		\$33,973 63

Home Missionary Day Offerings.

Reformed Church, Hummelstown, Pa.	\$13	55
St. John's Sunday-school, Milton, Pa.	37	31
Sunday-school, Harrisonville, Va.	15	22
Faith, Salisbury, N. C.	10	26
First, Lexington, N. C.	5	00
St. John's Sunday-school, Allentown, Pa.	29	88
Zion's, Lenoir, N. C.	3	00
First, High Point, N. C.	3	30
Sunday-school, Martinsburg, W. Va.	55	21
Missionary Society, Martinsburg, W. Va.	40	00
Mercersburg Classis	51	27
Lancaster Classis	22	34
Thomasville Charge, N. C.	13	00
St. John's, Lebanon, Pa.	8	56
Reading Classis	112	19
Sunday-school, Huntingdon, Pa.	21	75
Congregation, Huntingdon, Pa.	30	58
Grace, Altoona, Pa.	20	00
St. Clairsville, Pa.	27	00
Alexandria, Pa. ...	9	07
Williamsburg, Pa.	6	00
Missionary Convention, Sulphur Springs, Pa.	2	30
Heckerman Missionary Society, Dunning's Creek, Pa.	5	00
Classica Communion, Martinsburg, Pa.	7	00
Sunday-school, Fort Washington, Pa.	67	69
St. John's, Orwigsburg, Pa.	12	50
St. Paul's, Waynesboro, Pa.	5	00
Mercersburg, Pa.	17	00
Mt. Crawford Charge, Va.	25	42
Juniata Classis	29	01
Mt. Pleasant, N. C.	8	50
Macungie, Pa.	10	00
Concord, N. C.	4	51
Christ church, Philadelphia, Pa.	256	79
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Miscellaneous Sources.

Rev. F. A. Gast, Lancaster, Pa.....	\$10 00	
Mrs. Amanda Wagner, interest on legacy.....	100 00	
Interest on Gerhart Fund.....	6 00	
		<u>116 00</u>
		<u>\$35,074 84</u>

Cr.

Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board.....	\$35,074 84
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HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Maryland Classis	\$284 00	
Carlisle Classis	112 00	
Zion's Classis	43 55	
Mercersburg Classis.....	168 61	
Virginia Classis	102 00	
Juniata Classis	440 00	
Eastern Synod	2,892 74	
		<u>\$4,042 90</u>

HARBOR MISSION.

Maryland Classis	\$40 00	
Carlisle Classis	12 00	
Mercersburg Classis.....	19 39	
Zion's Classis	7 71	
Virginia Classis	11 00	
Juniata Classis	30 00	
Eastern Classis	598 53	
		<u>\$744 63</u>

GERMAN MISSIONS.

Potomac Synod	\$200 00	
Maryland Classis	149 00	
Zion's Classis	29 49	
Virginia Classis	35 00	
Eastern Synod	1,434 50	
		<u>1,847 99</u>
		<u>\$6,635 52</u>

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Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board	\$6,635 52
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DESIGNATED MONIES.

Heckerman Missionary Society, for Bethel, Philadelphia, Pa.	\$5 00	
Alexandria, Pa., for Lanyan Center.....	10 00	
Juniata Classis, for Indianapolis Mission.....	2 00	
		<u>\$17 00</u>

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Paid as designated.....	\$17 00
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FOR CHURCH BUILDING.

Dr.

Balance in treasury, Sept. 29, 1905.....		\$156 67
Schuylkill Classis	\$221 00	
Lancaster Classis.....	233 35	
Tohickon Classis	186 00	
Reading Classis	420 00	

Philadelphia Classis.....	247 62	
Lebanon Classis.....	164 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	5 83	
Lehigh Classis.....	200 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	726 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	246 48	
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Maryland Classis.....	20 92	
Carlisle Classis.....	145 00	
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		\$2,972 87

CHURCH BUILDING FUNDS.

Zion's Church, Hagerstown, Md.....	\$500 00	
Georgieta C. Peightel Fund.....	475 00	
Rev. Isaac N. Peightel Fund.....	475 00	
Collateral interest paid out of General Treasury...	50 00	
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BEQUESTS.

Ellen Hefright, Huntingdon, Pa.....	\$482 72	
Mrs. Matilda Shaffer, Hazelton, Pa.....	250 00	
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LOANS REPAID.

Burlington, N. C.....	\$300 00	
First church, High Point, N. C.....	90 00	
Bethel church, High Point, N. C.....	225 00	
Salisbury, N. C., balance on note.....	108 11	
Hungarian church, Trenton, N. J.....	100 00	
Christ church, Baltimore, Md.....	250 00	
Hungarian church, Bridgeport, Conn.....	400 00	
Hungarian church, South Norwalk, Conn.....	125 00	
Grace church, Baltimore, Md.....	500 00	
Steelton, Pa.....	200 00	
Packerton, Pa.....	500 00	
Harrisonburg, Va.....	500 00	
Grace, Allentown, Pa.....	325 00	
St. Mark's, Baltimore, Md.....	2,300 00	
Roanoke, Va.....	700 00	
Amount transferred from General Treasury.....	5,000 00	
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		\$16,824 70

DISBURSEMENTS.

Board of Home Missions.....	\$4,000 00	
Grace church, York, Pa.....	1,000 00	
St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.....	5,000 00	
Rev. A. C. Whitmore, Supt. Fund for General Board, Zion's, Hagerstown, Md.....	500 00	
Pittsburg Synod, one-third Ellen Hefright bequest	2,816 20	
Balance in treasury, October 5, 1906.....	3,349 60	
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GENERAL TREASURY.

Balance in treasury, September 29, 1905.....	\$5,049 87	
Zion's, Marietta.....	\$50 00	
Roanoke, Va.....	161 50	
First, York, Pa.....	60 00	

Dividends York Bank Stock.....	50 00	
Christ, Hazleton, Pa.	50 00	
C. M. Boush, General Board.....	220 00	
Mrs. F. A. Fremell	95 00	
First, High Point, N. C.....	28 25	
Maryland Classis	167 71	
Christ, Lykens, Pa.....	80 00	
Grace, Allentown, Pa.....	16 00	
Bethel, High Point, N. C.....	2 25	
Mrs. Leah Seidel	75 00	
Messiah, Philadelphia, Pa.....	60 00	
Oak, Lane, Pa.....	80 00	
Wyoming Classis, for Scranton, Pa.....	75 00	
St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.....	150 00	
Packerton, Pa.	10 00	
Scranton, Pa.	75 00	
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		\$6,553 58

CREDITS.

Rev. L. C. Thomas, traveling expenses	\$6 06	
Amount transferred to loans account.....	5,000 00	
Dr. Roland Jessup, York, Pa.	200 00	
St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.	120 00	
Student Lee A. Peeler four months' salary.....	120 00	
Peightel Fund, to pay collateral inheritance tax ..	50 00	
Traveling Expenses Board, printing and postage...	89 74	
Salary of the Secretary	75 00	
Salary of the Treasurer	75 00	
Balance in treasury, October 5, 1906	817 78	
	<hr/>	\$6,553 58
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Respectfully submitted,

JNO. J. NISLEY, *Treasurer.**Hummelstown, Pa., October 5, 1906.*HARRISBURG, PA., *October 13, 1906.*

We, the undersigned, examined the above account and found it correct as stated.

ELLIS N. KREMER,
JAMES C. THOMPSON,
Auditors.

III.—Annual Statement of the Board of Home Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Synod of the Reformed Church:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: In presenting to you this annual report, the Board would first of all express its gratitude to God for His guidance, His sustaining power and His blessing upon the work, and to the Church for the generous support that was given to the cause during the past year.

The year has been characterised by substantial and encouraging growth and the future is rich in promise.

The Board is constituted at present as follows:

President, Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., Frederick, Md.

Vice-President, Rev. C. E. Miller, D.D., Tiffin, O.

Secretary, Rev. Paul S. Leinbach, Easton, Pa.

Treasurer, Elder Geo. W. Stein, Annville, Pa.

The Treasurer of Church Building Fund and Attorney of the Board, Elder C. M. Boush, Esq., Meadville, Pa.

Rev. E. Vornholt, Berne, Ind.

Rev. D. W. Ebbert, D.D., Carlisle, Pa.

Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D.D., Lancaster, Pa.

Elder H. F. Texter, Wilkinsburg, Pa.

Since the last meeting of the Synod, three members of the Board have died, namely: Rev. Miles O. Noll, of Carlisle, Pa.; Elder F. G. Hobson, Esq., of Collegeville, Pa., and Rev. L. C. B. Lahr, D.D., of Delaware, O. Elections were held by the Board and the first two vacancies were filled, respectively, by the election of Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D.D., Lancaster, Pa., and J. L. Bickel, Esq., of Norristown, Pa.

During the year, the following missions became self-supporting: Oak Lane, Pa.; Edinburg, Ill.; Barberton, O. The following were enrolled as new mission points: Second Church, Kansas City, Mo.; Conover, N. C., and the Second Hungarian church in Cleveland, O. The indebtedness of the Board at the time of the meeting of the Board, October 8th, was \$16,-698.91, which is somewhat less than it was after the October meeting one year ago.

During the year, the following Church Building Funds have been received:

No. 131—The John E. Keen Church Building Fund.....	\$500 00
No. 132—The Philistia B. Kline Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 133—The Magdalena Allebach Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 134—The Mary E. Williard Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 135—The Fannie Gormly Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 136—The J. Taylor Motter Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 137—The Mission Band Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 138—The Lancaster, O., Classis II. Church Building Fund..	500 00
No. 139—The George W. and Agnes Hoffman III. Church Building Fund	500 00
No. 140—The Dr. B. B. Ferer Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 141—The Boudter, Iowa, Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 142—The Iowa Classis Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 143—The Zion's, Hagerstown, Md., Church Building Fund..	500 00
No. 144—The Butz-Chidsey Church Building Fund.....	500 00
No. 145—The Hattie Miley Mickley Church Building Fund....	500 00
No. 146—The Mercersburg College Church Building Fund	500 00
No. 147—The Chas. J. Schaffer Church Building Fund	500 00
No. 148—The Meyer Church Building Fund.....	500 00

Total amount of Church Building Fund money, and bequests, \$87,998.

There are at present one hundred and fourteen missions on the roll.

The Hungarian work is in an encouraging condition. There was considerable apprehension and uneasiness in reference to this work for a time, because of the agitation on the part of the Reformed Church in Hungary to induce all of the Hungarian congregations in this country to unite with and come under the direct control of the mother church in Hungary. But after a full presentation of the advantages and disadvantages of such a step, the congregations belonging to our Church, without exception, have decided to stay in their present relation.

The Hungarian Church is growing. We have hitherto depended upon the Church in Hungary for our Hungarian missionaries, but it is now seen that we must also educate some Hungarians here for this work. This fact was reported to the last General Synod, and that Synod said:

"Resolved, That this Synod approves the purpose of the Board of Home Missions to raise a fund for the education of young men for the Hungarian ministry, and that the details of the plan be left to the judgment of the Board."

For this educational work the Board cannot use its current missionary funds, but must depend entirely upon money given for this particular purpose. About \$150 will see a Hungarian student through one year of his course. We need always to have three or four such students. Interest in this feature of our work must not, however, supersede the claims of the apportionment. That should in every case be paid us in full.

Rev. Paul Sommerlatte, who was for many years the efficient Harbor Missionary, at New York, resigned and accepted a pastorate in Philadelphia, Pa. Rev. Paul H. Land has been elected as his successor, and is proving himself well fitted for this important and trying position.

The Board has been aggressive as the men and means at our command will warrant. Never in our history as a Church have there been so many open doors and such pressing appeals for the enrollment of new missions and for financial

aid in building mission churches. It is a matter of deep regret that many of these requests cannot be granted. There is a pressing need for more ministers. The scarcity of candidates for the ministry is a grave menace to missionary work. Why should this condition of things exist? Does the cause lie in the spiritual life of our churches and families? If this be so, let the proper remedy be promptly and speedily applied, that the needed relief may come at an early day. The Church is hereby earnestly challenged to renewed efforts and enlarged contributions for this work.

We would again urge careful attention to the following matters of special importance:

First. That the apportionment be raised in full, and as early in the Classical year as possible, so that the regular work can go forward without embarrassment.

Second. That Home Missionary Day, on the second Sunday in November, be observed. The contributions of which are to be over and above the apportionment. This special offering will this year be applied to the erection of a suitable church building for the Chicago mission. Chicago is a strategic point, from which should radiate influences that will be helpful in founding other churches.

Send the money direct to the General Superintendent Rev. Thos. M. Yundt, 1308 Arch street, Philadelphia, Pa., and he will receipt you in duplicate.

Third. The "Home Missionary Bulletin" is published at considerable expense to the Board, for the purpose of benefiting our people and deepening their interest in Home Missions. The charge of one dollar per hundred is only so much help toward paying the postage. Where the "Bulletin" has been faithfully distributed, it has proved its usefulness. We ask the active co-operation of pastors and consistories in regularly and promptly placing it in the families of their congregations.

Fourth. Attention is again called to the great helpfulness of Church Building Funds, and request that individuals, families and church organizations be renewedly challenged to establish such funds.

Fifth. That Classical and Synodical Treasurers be directed to make monthly remittances of all money received for Home

Mission purposes. This is necessary to the intelligent conducting of our work.

With thanks to God for the prosperity of our work, we heartily commend it to your confidence and support. We earnestly request that you take time for the discussion of this important subject and send down to the Classes such instructions as will secure the results for which we alike labor.

Praying the great Head of the Church upon your deliberations, I remain,

Yours in the Lord,

E. R. ESCHBACH, .

President of Board of Home Missions of General Synod.

IV.—Report of Committee Appointed to Formulate Action Relative to Request of Eastern Synod.

To the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee, appointed to report action in response to the request of the Eastern Synod, begs to report as follows:

1. The Eastern Synod, at its last meeting, made the request that the compact between this Board and the General Synod's Board shall be so modified as to place the election of Superintendent of Missions in the hands of the Eastern and Potomac Synods. The immediate occasion for the above action was as follows:

The two Synods nominated their candidates for Superintendent of Missions. This nomination was ignored by the General Synod's Board, and it elected another as Superintendent without referring to the Synods, and without communicating with them in any way except to state what it had done.

2. At a special meeting of this Board, held in Lancaster, November 16, 1905, at which Rev. Dr. E. R. Eschbach, President of the General Synod's Board, was present, the action of Synod was read and considered. The President of General Synod's Board objected to the action, on the ground that, if it could be realized, it would place this Board in a different relation to the General Board from that of any other Board in the Church, and would, therefore, tend to disharmony.

In the Board itself, objection to immediate action was also made, on the ground that the action of the Eastern Synod could not be considered by the Potomac Synod until the annual meeting in October, 1906. Therefore, your committee was appointed to consider said request and report to this Board.

In the meantime, and on April 6, 1906, the General Synod's Board reconsidered its action electing a Superintendent of Missions, and elected Rev. A. C. Whitmer, the nominee of this Board, thus placing the Board in the same relation to the General Synod's Board in which it stood before, and recognizing the right of the Eastern and Potomac Synods to nominate their Superintendent.

In view of the changed conditions above referred to, your committee hesitates to recommend action which, however wise in itself, may, because of the relation we hold, in common with other Boards, to the General Synod's Board, prove injurious or hamper it in its work.

Therefore, we recommend:

1. That we hereby place on record our pleasure at the action of the General Synod's Board, in electing our nominee, Rev. A. C. Whitmer, as Superintendent of Missions within the bounds of the Eastern and Potomac Synods, thus complying with the terms of the compact of 1892.

2. It is our conviction that the present term of Rev. A. C. Whitmer, as Superintendent, began October 1, 1905, although the General Synod's Board had not then elected him, in accordance with the terms of the compact of 1892.

3. WHEREAS, The General Synod's Board, in a communication to this Board, has acknowledged its violation of the compact of 1892, by electing as Superintendent of Missions within our territory one whom we had not nominated; and,

Whereas, The General Synod's Board subsequently elected our nominee, and,

Whereas, No similar action has been taken by the Potomac Synod on the matter of the resolution of Eastern Synod, asking this Board to endeavor to secure such modification of the compact of 1892 as will allow this Board hereafter to elect its own Superintendent, therefore,

Resolved, That we cannot, at this time, carry into effect

the instruction given us at the meeting of Eastern Synod, held at Williamsport, October, 1905, and we recommend that no further action be taken.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER,
S. R. BRIDENBAUGH.

A copy of the action of the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States transmitted by instruction of said Board to the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary*.

V.—Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Synods:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The actions, events and trials of the past year mark a distinct epoch in the history of our work in foreign lands. Such were the reasonable demands of both our missions for buildings, equipment and workers that the Board felt it a duty to grant them even in the face of its depressing debt. That we have all confidence in the judgment of our earnest missionaries, and an abiding faith in our constituency, is proven by the fact that the officers were willing to make themselves individually responsible for most of the loans in the banks. We have done what we did in the way of extensive building operations, and the strengthening of our working force, in the fear of God and with a passion for saving the lost. With the appeals for help constantly coming to us, we could not do otherwise.

INVESTMENT.

During the past three years about \$100,000, we believe, have been wisely and well spent for schools and hospital buildings. These buildings were a necessity for the proper conduct of our work. We could not have done less without placing in jeopardy all our past efforts and present results. The Board is a unit on this point. We now have the equipment, both in Japan and China, to accomplish a great work for the Master. The foundations have been laid for effective service. Our workers are ready to render a splendid account

of their stewardship. There are still pressing needs in both missions that should be supplied if the work is to go hopefully forward, but we believe that the time has come for us to call a halt. Great as has been the interest in the home church, we regret to say that it has not kept pace with the work in the foreign field. The Board has not been able to maintain, or to expand the work as it ought to do, through lack of funds.

HALT.

Painful as our recent action must be to the Japan Mission, in declining to send four additional missionaries, and possibly hurtful to the cause, yet the Board is unanimous in its determination not to take on any new work, or to send out any additional men, until there is a sweeping reduction in its debt of \$60,000. We here and now lay the responsibility of providing for the removal of this incubus upon the Church, and plead with her representatives at all the Synods for some favorable and speedily operative action. Let it be understood that the Board has no desire to retard the progress of the work, nor to check the zeal of its ardent supporters but it sees the folly and unbusiness-like policy of going on by piling loan upon loan until the work will be hopelessly crippled. We are calling a halt because we cannot increase our loans, and with the strong hope that thereby we can advance the work so near to all our hearts.

REMEDY.

There is no reason why the work should suffer, or a few men bear the responsibility of a crushing debt, in the presence of the great prosperity which we enjoy under the divine favor. Our people have the money, and we believe they will give it when they are told the Lord hath need of it. The only thing to do with the debt is to pay it. This is possible by filling the treasury with special gifts from those who want to see the work advance all along the line. If we will set the machinery of the Church at work for the next six months, the debt will soon be a thing of the past.

NEEDS.

God is calling us to renew our efforts in behalf of His Kingdom in Japan and China. The call to duty was never louder,

nor the need for advance greater, than in this day. We realize the fact that this is no time for hesitancy or retrenchment. If the latter must befall our work, the censure should not rest solely with the missionaries or the members of the Board. That our Church may prove true to its God-given mission, let her choose as a motto for 1907 the words of the dying Livingstone: "Take me anywhere, only forward," and faithfully practice it.

RESULTS.

Lest the brethren might form a wrong impression of our foreign work, or misjudge the temper of the Board, let us turn to a phase of the work which will cheer and encourage our hearts. Last year a strong effort was made to raise an Emergency Fund of \$50,000. (We were successful in receiving \$30,000). In this way, the receipts for the year ran up to \$80,474.29. Without any undue pressure during the past year, we have been able to gather \$80,999.66. There is no lack of interest in the work nor any falling off in our contributions. With the present deficit totally made up, it will be an easy matter for us to provide for the fixed expenses, which will annually aggregate about \$70,000. In addition to the regular apportionments, we have been cultivating a number of special givers among congregations and individuals, and we trust this class may increase all over the Church, for the benefit of all her Boards and Institutions.

WORKERS.

Two married and five single missionaries have recently been sent to the foreign field. To China: Rev. J. Frank Bucher and wife, Rev. Edwin A. Beck, Mr. Horace R. Lequear, Miss Anna C. Kanne, Miss Rose A. Spangler and Miss Carrie J. Dreibelbies. To Japan: Rev. Elmer H. Zaugg and wife. These additional workers should have been sent two years ago. They will only meet the most urgent needs in the work. We now have twelve married and six single missionaries in Japan; six married and eight single missionaries in China. Total, forty-six foreign workers.

BUILDINGS.

During the year the new dormitory for the North Japan College was completed, at an expense of \$5,250.81. The Hoy

Memorial Hospital, the Frantz Dispensary and the Hoffman School Building at Yochow, China, are ready for occupancy. A low valuation of our Yochow properties would be \$20,000. The two hospitals for men and women, and the Girls' School Building at Chenchow, have been paid with the Indemnity Fund. This station has been of little expense to the Church, and yet the Board holds a title to a property valued at about \$40,000. Our missionary, Dr. William Kelly, pleads with the Board to provide the \$3,000 necessary for the furnishing of the buildings.

VISITATION.

Last December Rev. James I. Good, D.D., President of the Board, made a tour around the world. He spent some time in China and Japan, with great profit to himself and our missions. Dr. Good speaks most favorably of the condition of the work, and of the hopeful outlook. He says, he had no idea that the mission property at Sendai was so large or so well suited for educational work. Dr. Schneder estimates the valuation of our property in Japan at \$175,000.

RESIGNATION.

The Board regrets to report the resignation of its able Field Secretary, Rev. A. V. Casselman. We feel that his withdrawal will be a loss to the work, but we rejoice in the assurance of his abiding interest in the great cause, and bespeak at his hand the further counsel and co-operation in the work as his time and strength may permit. In view of a number of missionaries home on furlough, whose services will be at the call of the Church, the Board has taken no steps to elect a successor to Mr. Casselman.

SPECIALS.

The Board appreciates the offer of the elders of the Pittsburgh Synod to raise \$1,500 for the erection of a home for Dr. William E. Hoy, at Yochow, as also the action of the Eastern Synod, in agreeing to raise the balance of \$3,000 due on the Boys' School Building Fund for Yochow.

One of the delightful experiences of the year was the raising of the Japanese Famine Fund of \$7,043.46 by our people. So far as we can learn, no other denomination gave more liberally. Whilst this may not have been a direct contribu-

tion to the work, yet it was like bread cast upon the waters that will return to us in ways that we know not of. The missionaries regard it as good seed sowing of the Gospel.

AFFLICTIONS.

About seven months ago, at the solicitation of several physicians, and the endorsement of the Japan Mission, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Moore came to America with the hope of restoring the broken health of Mrs. Moore, who was on the verge of a nervous collapse. We rejoice that she is now sufficiently strong to return with her husband early in October, and we bespeak for these our eldest missionaries, the sympathies and prayers of the Church. God's hand of affliction was also laid on Dr. and Mrs. William Kelly, of Chenchow, in the loss of their dear baby. They mourn not as those who have not hope. The sympathies of our people are with them.

FURLOUGH.

Rev. David B. Schneder, D.D., President of the North Japan College, Sendai, is home on furlough. He expects to visit most of the Synods, and we most heartily commend him to the brethren. Dr. Schneder enjoys the esteem of the Japanese, as well as the confidence of his brethren at home. Such, in brief, is the report of our work for the past year.

SUGGESTIONS.

What can the Synods do to increase the missionary spirit among our people? If we may judge of the good results of our sister churches by their present methods, then two helpful ways of stimulating interest in our work of missions will be the Missionary Institute and the Mission Study Class. Our Board is anxious to introduce these helpful agencies more generally among our churches. The aim of the Missionary Institute is to study methods of work and to stimulate larger giving on the part of the people. These institutes should be held in centers where a group of churches can combine, and a number of workers enjoy their inspiring influence. The Mission Study Class should exist in every congregation. There is no better way of kindling a holy enthusiasm for world-wide missions than by studying the world-wide programme of Christ. Missionary information is indispensable

for proper giving. It helps a man to give from principle and in the right spirit. A knowing church is a growing church and a giving church.

COMMITTEE.

The Board is ready to inaugurate these Missionary Institutes and Mission Study Classes this winter, and we would, therefore, suggest the appointment of a special committee in each classis, consisting of a pastor, elder and Sunday-school superintendent, whose duty it shall be to assist in making the arrangements for such institutes and classes.

NEW BOOK.

The Board has on sale the charming book, entitled, "O Mura San." This is the story of the life and labors of one of our early converts, by Mrs. Anna M. Schneder, the wife of our missionary. Price, 50 cents. We herewith present a copy to the Synod.

REQUEST.

If the business of the Synod will allow it, we respectfully ask that an hour be set apart for the consideration of the special claims of our foreign work, in the hope that we as a Board may receive the help and encouragement which we need at this time.

Very cordially yours,

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW,
Secretary.

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 12, 1906.

VI.—The Report of the Standing Committee on Missions.

The report of the Standing Committee on Missions was presented on Monday, during the morning session. It was duly considered, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

Your Standing Committee on Missions begs leave to offer the following report:

There were placed into our hands:

First. The annual statement of the Board of Home Missions (General Synod) of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Second. The report of the Board of Home Missions (Bi-Synodic) of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Third. The report of the committee appointed to formulate action relative to the request of the Synod held at Williamsport, Pa.

Fourth. The annual statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

Fifth. A copy of "O Mura San."

From these communications, we gather the following facts: That while much work is being done, both at home, not only among our native people, but also among the foreigners who yearly come to our shores, and abroad in Japan and China, we are sorry to learn that we are hindered from entering upon a larger field of service by reason of a scarcity of men and a dearth of money. The Home Board at present has 117 missions under its care. Oak Lane, a mission within the bounds of the Eastern Synod, became self-supporting during the year. The Board has, however, enrolled two new missions within our territory, viz: Tatamy, Pa., and Wayne Junction, Pa. The work among the Hungarian people is in an encouraging condition and is growing. But it is very evident that we need to educate Hungarian men in our own schools. The Church Building Funds are steadily growing, giving evidence that the practical wisdom exercised in establishing them appeals to our liberal-hearted people.

We learn with a sense of loss that four of the church's faithful servants have gone to their rewards; three of them—Rev. Miles O. Noll, Carlisle, Pa.; Elder F. J. Hobson, Esq., Norristown, Pa., and Rev. L. C. B. Lahr, D. D., Delaware, O.—were members of the General Board, and Elder Chas. J. Schaefer, Hazleton, Pa., a member of the Bi-Synodic Board; that there are at present two vacancies in the Bi-Synodic Board, to be filled by this Synod.

The Bi-Synodic Board reports that they cannot, at this time, carry into effect the instructions given at the last annual meeting of Synod, held in Williamsport, Pa., October, 1905, and recommend that no further action be taken.

It is gratifying to note that the work under the care of the Foreign Board is of a very high standard; that men who visit the stations speak of it in the most commendable terms; that new fields may at any time be occupied. It is very discouraging to the Board to be unable to answer the appeals

from the foreign land by reason of a lack of money; to not be able to enter in and gather the harvest waiting for the reapers.

In view of these facts, your committee would recommend the following action:

Resolved, 1. That Synod return thanks to Almighty God for His guidance and for the help vouchsafed unto us during another year in prosecuting the work entrusted to us.

Resolved, 2. That we rejoice in the great opportunities for work among the people of our land—East, South and West—and among the foreigners casting in their lot with us, and give expression to our appreciation of the service rendered by our faithful servants.

Resolved, 3. That, inasmuch as we are unable to take up the work of Christ in very promising fields because we do not have the men to station there, we urge our pastors, through the various Classes, in session and out of session, to present the claims of the ministry of our Lord to parents of worthy young men in order that they may be led to dedicate themselves to His service, and that we personally challenge such young men.

Resolved, 4. That we approve the work of educating Hungarian young men and commend this worthy cause to our congregations and large-hearted individuals.

Resolved, 5. That in view of our growing work and the ever-increasing demands on us, Synod urge its congregations, through the several classes, to raise the apportionment in full.

Resolved, 6. That Home Missionary Day be observed on the second Sunday in November and that, wherever possible, the offerings on that day be devoted to some worthy cause, over and above the apportionment.

Resolved, 7. That we note with pleasure the addition of four church building funds within the bounds of this Synod, and again challenge individuals, families and church organizations to establish such funds.

Resolved, 8. That the Treasurer of Synod and the Treasurers of the various Classes be instructed, through the various Classes, to make monthly remittances of all moneys received for Home and Foreign Missions, and that the treasurers of congregations be urged to make prompt remittances to the classical treasurers.

Resolved, 9. That whereas the price of the "Home Missionary Bulletin" is so low as to be within the reach of all of our people, pastors be urged, through the various Classes, to attend to the faithful distribution of this excellent paper.

Resolved, 10. That, inasmuch as the committee appointed by the Synod, held at Williamsport, in October, 1905, reports that the instructions given by that Synod cannot, at this time, be carried into effect, and recommend that no action be taken, this Synod approve the action of the committee.

Resolved, 11. That while we recognize the wisdom of God in his relation with His children, and, therefore, humbly bow to His will in removing from us four of our brethren, Synod hereby gives expression to our appreciation of the services rendered by these faithful laborers who have entered upon their reward.

Resolved, 12. That the two vacancies of the Bi-Synodic Board be referred to the Committee on Nominations.

Resolved, 13. That we are grateful to our heavenly Father for His blessing on our work in Japan and China.

Resolved, 14. That we rejoice in the excellent work our servants have been enabled to accomplish in the Orient.

Resolved, 15. That we endorse the action of the Foreign Board in not taking up new work for the present until its debt shall have been considerably reduced.

Resolved, 16. That we approve the action of the Foreign Board in leaving the office of Field Secretary vacant in view of the debt of the Board and the fact that congregations may avail themselves of the services of missionaries home on furlough.

Resolved, 17. That the cause of foreign missions be heartily and enthusiastically commended to our people and they be urged to enable the Board to wipe out its debt.

Resolved, 18. That Foreign Missionary Day be observed on the second Sunday in February, and that wherever possible, the funds thus gathered be devoted to the debt, and, therefore, be over and above the apportionment.

Resolved, 19. That the attention of our congregations be called to the helpfulness of missionary institutes and mission study classes; and we recommend the appointment of a committee in each Classis to look after this work.

Resolved, 20. That Synod promptly redeem its pledge with reference to the Boys' School in China, made at Lebanon, in 1903, and that the delinquent charges be earnestly requested to heed the recent appeal of the Secretary of the Board in this matter.

Resolved, 21. That we express to Dr. and Mrs. Wm. Kelley our sympathy in their bereavement.

Resolved, 22. That Synod rejoices in the addition of new workers to our corps of faithful and tried laborers in Japan and China.

Resolved, 23. That Synod gratefully receives the little book entitled "O Mura San," and commends the same to our people to be procured and placed into their private and Sunday-school libraries.

Respectfully submitted,

B. F. REED,

DR. J. R. SEAMAN,

H. I. CROW,

A. S. MANN,

L. M. FETTEROLF.

In the consideration of the eighth item in the foregoing report, the following action was adopted:

Resolved, That Synod requests the Classes to instruct its congregations hereafter to remit all moneys for Home and Foreign Missions direct to the General Superintendent of Home Missions and to the Secretary of Board of Foreign Missions.

Resolved, That these officers shall furnish duplicate receipts for such remittances to the treasurers of the Classes and the congregations.

MISSIONARY ADDRESSES.

The privilege was accorded to Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D., and Miss Dreibelbiss, missionary-elect to China, to address Synod, which was made the order of the day on Friday, at 3 p. m.

The little Chinese girl four years of age accompanied Miss Dreibelbiss, rendered several songs and closed with a prayer. The service lasted one hour. The addresses of Rev. Dr. Bartholomew and Miss Dreibelbiss were well received, and the members of Synod laid upon the altar an offering of \$190.00, for defraying the expenses of the missionary sent to China.

Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach and Elder E. H. Burkholder were elected members of Board of Home Missions.

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

The annual report of the Board of Trustees of Synod was read, considered item by item and finally adopted as a whole. The following is the report, with the action of Synod taken in regard to the same:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: At the meeting of the Board of Trustees, held January 8, 1906, organization was effected by the election of the following officers: President, Rev. Charles E. Creits; Vice-President and Secretary, Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D. D. Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach is treasurer by election of the Synod.

The Treasurer is bonded in the sum of \$5,000.

At a special meeting of the Board, on April 18, 1906, the Treasurer was empowered to transact the business involved in the return of \$2,600 of the Kieffer legacy. The Treasurer and D. N. Schaeffer, Esq., were instructed to invest said amount on first mortgage. The whole sum has again been satisfactorily invested.

The Philadelphia Classis is in arrears on Contingent Fund of Eastern Synod to the amount of \$81.00. This sum is due on apportionment of two years ago.

Lehigh Classis is \$50.00 in arrears on apportionment of two years ago, and \$26.00 on apportionment of last year.

The following Classes are in arrears on the Washington Memorial Reformed Church, to the amount opposite their respective names:

Wyoming	\$106 67
Lehigh	433 17
Lebanon	498 70

Lancaster and Tobickon Classes paid their apportionment for the object in full during the past year.

The Board reported to the last Synod that Lehigh Classis

had sent to the Treasurer \$200 for the Washington church too late to be included in his report. This sum the Treasurer of Classis afterward ordered to be credited to other items of the apportionment.

The Board had the Treasurer's accounts audited and found them correct.

The term of office of Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach expires on January 1, 1907.

The Board, as at present constituted, consists of the following persons:

Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D.D., term expires January 1, 1911; D. Nicholas Schaeffer, Esq., term expires January 1, 1910; Rev. Charles E. Creitz, term expires January 1, 1909; Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, term expires January 1, 1908; Mr. Wellington M. Leinbach, term expires January 1, 1907.

We make the following recommendations:

1. That Synod apportion \$500.00 for contingent expenses.
2. That Synod apportion \$700.00 to pay the interest on the bonded indebtedness of \$14,000.00 of the Allentown College for Women.

3. That the Synod take such action as will speedily secure the balance of its indebtedness for the Washington Memorial Reformed church. The indorsers for this money desire to be released from their obligations as soon as possible.

4. We recommend the following as suitable persons to fill the vacancy which will occur in the Board on January 1, 1907: Elder R. Monroe Hoffman, of the First Reformed church, Reading, Pa.; and Elder George D. Fahrenbach, of Bernville, Pa., one to be voted for.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CREITZ, *President*.

The request made in the first and second items of this report was granted, and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

The third item was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. T. O. Stem, L. M. Fetterolf and Elder E. H. Burkholder, who presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee to which was referred the arrearages on

the Washington Memorial church, begs leave to report, that in view of the action already taken by the Synod, as found in the report of the Committee on Finance, that it has nothing to report.

Respectfully submitted,

T. O. STEW, *Chairman.*

In regard to the fourth item, the election of a member on the Board of Trustees, was made the order of the day on Friday, at 2 p. m. The election was held at the appointed time, and the same resulted in the choice of R. Monroe Hoffman, who was elected for a term of five years.

Treasurer's Report.

W. M. LEINBACH, *Treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:*

CONTINGENT FUND, GENERAL SYNOD.

Dr.	
Schuylkill Classis	\$42 84
Tohickon Classis	127 00
Lebanon Classis	149 00
Reading Classis	128 00
Wyoming Classis .....	.....
West Susquehanna Classis	87 00
East Susquehanna Classis	82 00
Goshenhoppen Classis	106 00
Lehigh Classis	50 00
East Pennsylvania Classis	154 00
Lancaster Classis	107 00
Philadelphia Classis
	<hr/> \$1,032 84
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Paid Wm, R. Barnhart, Treasurer	\$1,032 84

CONTINGENT FUND, EASTERN SYNOD.

Dr.	
Balance in Treasury	\$118 92
Schuylkill Classis	67 00
Tohickon Classis	109 00
Lebanon Classis	222 00
Reading Classis	185 00
Wyoming Classis	118 00
West Susquehanna Classis	76 00
East Susquehanna Classis	72 00
Goshenhoppen Classis	171 00
Lehigh Classis	155 00
East Pennsylvania Classis	134 00
Lancaster Classis	80 00
Philadelphia Classis	92 00
Loan, Reading National Bank	300 00
Paid for cancellation of mortgage	1 00
	<hr/> \$1,900 92

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Rev. C. E. Shaeffer, Chairman Inaugurating Dr. Noes	\$147 82	
Rev. J. W. Runkle, use of Church, Williamsport..	25 00	
S. M. Gingrich, traveling expenses.....	4 34	
Interest on \$300 loan, Reading National Bank....	3 83	
Reformed Church Publication Board, Minutes of Coetus in full	200 00	
C. J. Musser, expenses to trustee meeting.....	2 58	
J. P. Stein, serving as Stated Clerk.....	175 00	
Renewal Premium, Fidelity Bond No. 412, 500...	15 50	
Day Book, Ledger and Paper	1 67	
Stamps	2 50	
C. B. Schnader, for Seminary Aid	5 00	
Henry H. Ranck, for Seminary Tid.....	5 00	
W. F. More, for Seminary Aid.....	5 00	
Jno. Ph. Stein, sundries.....	34 55	
Interest on note, Reading National Bank.....	1 25	
C. J. Musser, expenses to trustee meeting.....	1 75	
S. M. Gingrich, expenses to trustee meeting.....	1 67	
W. M. Leinbach, expenses to cancel Shank judgment	4 24	
Stamps and postals	3 00	
Note, Reading National Bank.....	300 00	
C. E. Creits, expenses Board of Visitors.....	5 00	
Publication Board of Reformed Church.....	100 00	
W. D. Happel, expense Board of Visitors.....	10 60	
W. D. Happel, expense Board of Visitors.....	6 35	
Stamps	5 00	
Publication Board of Reformed Church.....	150 00	
Ellis N. Kremer, expense Board meeting.....	12 75	
Publication Board of Reformed Church, in full....	111 90	
Recording assignment of L. Rehr.....	1 50	
Balance in Treasury.....	558 12	
		\$1,900 92

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis.....	\$1,669 76	
Tohickon Classis	1,793 45	
Lebanon Classis.....	1,956 09	
Reading Classis	3,237 30	
Wyoming Classis	1,745 95	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	2,049 02	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	1,717 61	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	2,618 00	
Lehigh Classis.....	2,161 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	2,510 25	
Lancaster Classis.....	2,310 74	
Philadelphia Classis	2,241 60	
		26,010 77

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Paid J. J. Nisley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$26,010 77
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HUNGARIAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis	\$128 23
Tohickon Classis.....	147 00
Lebanon Classis	132 00
Reading Classis	379 00

Wyoming Classis	187 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	251 87	
East Susquehanna Classis	158 75	
Goshenhoppen Classis	504 00	
Lehigh Classis	225 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	287 00	
Lancaster Classis	256 55	
Philadelphia Classis	248 39	
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		\$2,884 79

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Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions	\$2,884 79
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HARBOR MISSIONS.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis	\$55 50	
Tohickon Classis	41 00	
Lebanon Classis	45 00	
Reading Classis	71 00	
Wyoming Classis	32 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	59 80	
East Susquehanna Classis	49 24	
Goshenhoppen Classis	112 00	
Lehigh Classis	111 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	50 00	
Lancaster Classis	23 30	
Philadelphia Classis	34 49	
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		\$684 33

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions	\$684 33
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GERMAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis	\$101 11	
Tohickon Classis	98 40	
Lebanon Classis	95 00	
Reading Classis	194 00	
Wyoming Classis	113 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	163 80	
East Susquehanna Classis	122 75	
Goshenhoppen Classis .....	.....
Lehigh Classis	100 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	100 00	
Lancaster Classis	97 85	
Philadelphia Classis	161 00	
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		\$1,346 91

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Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions	\$1,346 91
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CHURCH BUILDING.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis	\$207 00
Tohickon Classis	231 00
Lebanon Classis	164 00
Reading Classis	456 00
East Susquehanna Classis	246 48
Goshenhoppen Classis	728 00
Lehigh Classis	250 00

East Pennsylvania Classis	5 83	
Lancaster Classis	327 35	
Philadelphia Classis	264 11	
	<hr/>	\$2,877 77

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions	\$2,877 77
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SEMINARY AND GERHARD FUND.

DR.

Leonard Mounts, 12 months' int. on Keiffer legacy	\$125 00	
Wm. I. Clay, 12 months' int. on Keiffer legacy	70 00	
Rev. Joseph Nissley, 12 months' int. on Keiffer leg.	30 00	
Abram Fackler, 12 months' int. on Keiffer legacy ..	150 00	
S. E. Shenk, 6 months' int. on Keiffer legacy	50 00	
Samuel S. Shenk, 6 months' int. on Cook legacy ...	30 00	
Henry Alleman, 12 months' int. Gerhard Fund ...	18 00	
	<hr/>	\$473 00

CR.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, int. Keiffer legacy ..	\$425 00	
John B. Roth, Treasurer, int. Cook legacy	30 00	
J. J. Nissley, Treasurer, Board of Missions, Ger-		
hard Fund	6 00	
John Hertzer, Treasurer Board of Education, Ger-		
hard Fund	6 00	
Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, Foreign Missions, Ger-		
hard Fun	6 00	
	<hr/>	\$437 00

CURRENT EXPENSES THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

DR.

Schuylkill Classis	\$118 00	
Tohickon Classis	249 00	
Lebanon Classis	87 50	
Reading Classis	280 00	
Wyoming Classis	95 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	162 34	
East Susquehanna Classis ..	150 80	
Goehenhoppen Classis	317 00	
Lehigh Classis	320 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis	94 00	
Lancaster Classis	106 30	
Philadelphia Classis	153 19	
	<hr/>	\$2,133 13

CR.

Paid John R. Roth, Treasurer	\$2,133 13
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MINISTERIAL AID.

DR.

Lehigh Classis	\$75 00
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CR.

Paid Rev. S. S. Miller, Treasurer	\$75 00
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, BOND ACCOUNT.

Oct. 20, 1905. Balance in Treasury	\$182 47
Oct. 17, 1906. Balance in Treasury	\$182 47

ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Dr.		
Schuylkill Classis.....	\$35 00	
Tohickon Classis.....	88 00	
Lebanon Classis.....	66 00	
Reading Classis.....	90 00	
Wyoming Classis.....	30 00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	85 00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	66 98	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	114 00	
Lehigh Classis.....	94 00	
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	77 00	
Lancaster Classis.....	34 75	
Philadelphia Classis.....	46 50	
		<u>\$827 28</u>
Cr.		
Paid C. M. W. Keck, Trustee, 12 months' interest..	\$700 00	
Balance due former Treasurer of Synod.....	68 06	
Balance in Treasury.....	59 17	
		<u>\$827 23</u>
April 1, 1906. Money returned Keiffer legacy, \$2,600.00.		
May 26, 1906. Invested \$1,100.00 on property of N. D. Temple.		
October 1, 1906. Invested \$1,500.00 on property of Clara S. Yeager.		

MEMORIAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dr.		
Lebanon Classis.....	\$105 24	
Wyoming Classis.....	32 00	
Lehigh Classis.....	277 00	
Lancaster Classis.....	39 88	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	5 00	
Tohickon Classis.....	176 27	
Interest on above amount.....	8 81	
		<u>\$662 89</u>
Cr.		
Paid interest to Hummelstown National Bank....	\$39 39	
Paid Hummelstown National Bank, on account of loan.....	86 93	
Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer, interest and balance on principal.....	536 57	
		<u>\$662 89</u>
Balance due on loan, \$1,002.54.		

CATAWBA COLLEGE.

Dr.		
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$3 22	
Cr.		
Balance in Treasury.....	\$3 22	

READING, PA., October 23, 1906.

We, the undersigned auditors, do hereby certify that we have examined the vouchers of the Treasurer for the items set forth in the above account and found the same correct.

D. N. SCHARFFER,
S. M. GINGRICH.

Arrearage.

CLASSES.	Eastern Synod Contingent.	Home Missions.	Hungarian, Harbor and Bohemian Mis- sions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.	Expenses of Inauguration of Prof. Noss.	General Synod Contingent.	Washington Memorial.
Schuylkill		\$398 13	\$37 27	\$205 00		\$3 00		\$33 16	
Tohickon		1,588 15	179 00	453 00					
Lebanon		1,800 91	242 00	515 00	\$126 50	3 00			\$408 70
Reading		845 56	2 00	389 00			\$10 00	26 00	
Wyoming		543 05	35 00	473 00	35 00	6 00		55 00	106 67
West Susquehanna		175 88		468 00					
East Susquehanna		411 84	31 01	196 52					
Goshenhoppen		256 00							
Lehigh	\$35 00	4,394 00	399 00	1,065 00	42 00	35 00	29 50	195 00	
East Pennsylvania		1,589 75	128 00	824 17	184 00				705 17
Lancaster		514 41	29 15	251 65	82 70	17 25	13 00		
Philadelphia		908 40	74 12	383 88	29 81	14 50	13 00	124 00	

Allentown Female College.

The report of the Board of Trustees concerning the status of the Allentown College was read in response to item 3, in Report on Minutes of Synod, by Rev. Thos. W. Dickert, which was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. Chas. E. Creitz, P. S. Leinbach and Dr. H. H. Bobb, who presented on Saturday the following report, which was acted on item by item and finally adopted as a whole:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Board of Trustees of the Allentown Female College, beg leave to make the following report:

1. That as the terms accepted by Synod last year have not changed in any vital respect, the Synod reiterates its action in authorizing the acceptance of the outstanding shares of stock of the Allentown Female College for the nominal sum of one dollar, and hereby authorizes and empowers the Rev. Jno. F. DeLong, D.D., to consummate the purchase of said property.

2. Inasmuch as the charter of said institution provides for only nine trustees, therefore, the action of last year, in electing sixteen members of the Board, be and hereby is rescinded, and the following persons are constituted the Board of Trustees of the Allentown Female College, namely:

Rev. Jno. F. DeLong, D.D.,
N. M. Balliet, Esq.,
E. H. Renninger, Esq.,
Rev. Thos. W. Dickert,

Rev. Theo. F. Herman,
N. A. Haas,
Dr. C. D. Schaeffer,
E. M. Young,

Rev. H. M. J. Klein.

3. That three of the above-mentioned Board of Trustees serve for one year, three for two years, and three for three years. The Board shall decide which of its members shall serve the shorter and longer terms.

4. That the Board of Trustees be instructed to submit to the next annual meeting of Synod an amended form of Charter for the approval of this body.

5. That the Board of Trustees of the College be and hereby is authorized to issue bonds to the amount of six thousand dollars, bearing interest at not more than four and a half per cent., as soon as the transfer of the college to the Synod is completed, and that the proceeds be applied at once to the payment of the floating indebtedness of the institution.

6. That the sum of one thousand dollars be apportioned on the several classes to pay the interest on the bonded indebtedness of the college.

7. That the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to pay to the Board of Trustees of the College the sum of fifty dollars for attorney's fees.

8. That we hereby pledge our united and loyal support to the Allentown Female College, and that we will do all in our power to secure students for said institution and to place it on a comfortable financial basis.

Respectfully submitted,

CHAS. E. CREITZ, *Chairman.*

The sixth and seventh items were adopted and referred to the Standing Committee on Finance.

On motion, the following resolution was adopted:

Resolved, That the Rev. Jno. F. DeLong be instructed to vote the shares of stock owned by Synod for the persons suggested for Trustees in the report of the Special Committee on Allentown Female College, as soon as the purchase of the aforesaid institution has been consummated.

II.—Report of Standing Committee on Finance

The report of the Standing Committee on Finance was presented on Monday, during the afternoon session. The several items contained therein received due consideration and the report was finally adopted. The report is as follows:

To the Eastern Synod:

BRETHREN: Your Committee on Finance beg leave to present the following report:

There were referred to us the report of the Treasurer of Synod, properly attested by the auditors, and the report of the Board of Trustees. From these reports we learn the following facts:

1. That the Lancaster and Tohickon Classes paid their apportionment, principal and interest, for the Washington Memorial Reformed church in full.

2. That the following Classes are in arrears on the Washington Memorial Reformed church:

Lehigh	\$433 17
Lebanon	498 70
Wyoming	106 67

3. That the following Classes are in arrears on Eastern Synod Contingent Fund:

Lehigh	\$76 00
Philadelphia	81 00

4. That the following Classes are in arrears on the General Synod Contingent Fund:

Lehigh	\$195 00
Reading	29 00
Philadelphia	124 00
Wyoming	88 00
Schuylkill	34 00

The following amounts were referred to us for apportionment:

Home Missions	\$40,700 00
Foreign Missions	28,900 00
Hungarian, Harbor and Bohemian Missions ..	4,300 00
Church Building	8,025 00
Seminary Aid	3,375 00
Allentown College	1,000 00
Eastern Synod Contingent Fund	500 00

We make the following recommendations:

1. That the Synod calls the attention of the Classes in

arrears on the Washington Memorial Reformed church, the General Synod Contingent Fund and the Eastern Synod Contingent Fund, to their delinquency and urges them to the prompt payment of the same.

2. That the following apportionment be laid on the Classes:

CLASSES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Hungarian, Harbor and Bohemian Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allegheny College for Women.	Contingent Fund Eastern Synod.	Arrearages on General Synod Contingent Fund.	Arrearages on Eastern Synod Contingent Fund.	Arrearages on Washington Memorial Church.
East Pennsylvania ..	\$4,200	\$3,007	\$445	\$330	\$348	\$104	\$57			
Lebanon ..	3,942	2,823	419	779	336	97	53			\$408 70
Philadelphia	3,571	2,404	357	650	279	83	48	\$124.	\$31	
Lancaster ..	2,923	2,093	300	579	243	72	40			
East Susquehanna ..	2,252	1,613	239	445	188	56	31			
West Susquehanna ..	2,367	1,694	251	468	197	59	32			
Tohickon ..	3,460	2,477	367	664	286	85	47			
Goshenhocken ..	2,874	2,038	304	567	230	71	39			
Lehigh ..	6,555	4,765	705	1315	548	163	90	195	76	623 17
Schuylkill ..	2,079	1,487	221	412	173	52	29	34		
Wyoming ..	2,391	1,713	254	473	196	59	32	88		196 67
Reading ..	4,267	3,056	452	845	353	105	58	29		
	\$40,781	\$29,190	\$4,323	\$8,047	\$3,378	\$1,006	\$554	\$470	\$137	1,595 14

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. CREITZ,

L. K. EVANS,

H. BOBB.

An order of twenty-five dollars on the Treasurer of Synod was granted in favor of the pastor of Zion's Reformed church, Lehighon, Pa., for the use of the church to hold its annual session and to cover the incidental expenses incurred in behalf of Synod.

Also an order of twenty dollars, to pay the expenses of Rev. Dr. G. W. Richards, Rev. A. S. Dechant and Rev. Geo. Stibitz, Ph.D., who were not delegates, for special service rendered on the programme.

Also an order of \$31.27 to pay expenses of permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools; for service during the Synodical year, to be paid to Elder Chas. H. Leinbach.

Elder R. Monroe Hoffman was elected Treasurer of Synod or the ensuing year.

Board of Trustees of Synod.

R. Monroe Hoffman, Reading Pa. Term expires January 1, 1912.

Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D.D., Philadelphia, Pa. Term expires January 1, 1911.

D. N. Schaeffer, Esq., Reading, Pa. Term expires January 1, 1910.

Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, Reading, Pa. Term expires January 1, 1902.

Samuel M. Gingrich, Hummelstown, Pa. Term expires January 1, 1908.

Rev. Chas. E. Creitz, President; Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, Secretary; R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer.

ARTICLE XVI.

APPEALS AND REFERENCES.

The judgment of the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, in regard to several items contained in the report concerning Irregularities, was sustained.

A Request for a Division of Synod.

Your committee, to whom was referred the request of Schuylkill Classis, in item 3 of the report on Minutes of Classes, suggests the following for your adoption:

Resolved, That this Synod does not recognize its constitutional right to take any steps looking to a division of its territory until Article 84 of the Constitution be complied with by four or more adjacent Classes.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN E. NOSS, *Chairman*.

The report was adopted.

Your committee to whom was referred item 5, under the head of Requests, in the report on Minutes of Classes, referring to Wyoming Classis, in the matter of applying their apportionment for Church Building towards the indebtedness of the chapel at Scranton, and which privilege was granted by Synod at Wilkesbarre, respectfully reports the following action:

Resolved, That it is the sense of this Synod that the privilege granted Wyoming Classis in 1902, of applying the amount of their apportionment for Church Building on the debt of Calvary Reformed church, at Scranton, was not for an in-

definite period of time, and that if there was a desire for a continuation of this privilege, the request should have been made annually.

Respectfully submitted,

L. K. EVANS, *Chairman.*

The report was adopted.

The Publishing of the Charters and the Names of the Members of the Several Boards Operating in the Church.

The following communication was received from the Board of Missions, having reference to publishing in Minutes of Synod a list of the several official Boards in the Church, together with the respective charters of these Boards, according to which they carry forward their operations. The document presented reads as follows, to wit:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerk be, and hereby is, instructed as follows:

1. He shall prepare and cause to be printed in the Minutes of Synod a list of the Boards of the Church, under the title "Boards of the Church." Said list shall give the correct title, the names of members and officers, and in the case of Boards of Missions, the Superintendents, the term of service and date (month and year) of expiration of same, of the respective Boards and Superintendents.

2. He shall prepare and publish in the Minutes, under and in connection with the list of Boards, the names and addresses of the officials of the Church, including Stated Clerks of Synods, editors of Church publications under the care and authority of a Synod or Synods, and Superintendents of Orphans' Homes and other benevolent institutions of the Church.

3. That he shall cause to be entered in the index of the Minutes of Synod the title Boards and Officials, with the proper page given.

4. He shall secure and publish in pamphlet form, corresponding in size to the minutes of Synod, a copy of the charters of all the bodies, benevolent, educational or otherwise, working under the authority of this Synod, or under its authority in conjunction with that of one or more of the district Synods. Said publication shall include the date of incorporation of said body, its officers, and in case of educational institutions, their respective faculties and number of students.

5. He shall communicate to the Pittsburg Synod and Synod of the Potomac the above action, and in the name of this Synod request the said Synods to co-operate in the publication of such a Book of Charters, by giving proper instruction to their respective Stated Clerks and by assuming a pro rata share of the expense, viz: half by the Eastern Synod, one-sixth by the Pittsburg Synod and one-third by the Synod of the Potomac.

6. He shall procure if possible, and have published in said Book of Charters, the charters of all the bodies working under the authority of the General Synod.

The communication was favorably received by Synod, on the second day of its sessions, and after having received a partial consideration, it was referred to the officers of Synod, with instructions to report at the next annual session.

Improved Statistics.

The following preamble and resolutions were presented by Rev. Dr. N. Z. Snyder and read, which were referred to the Permanent Committee on Sunday-schools for further consideration:

WHEREAS, The Synods and Classes have for many years tried to improve the Sunday-school statistics, in accordance with the renewed requests of the Sunday-school Board and have thus far signally failed in the final results; and,

Whereas, We have reason to believe that this state of things is largely owing to the fact that the statistical blanks as ordered by the General Synod from time to time, are of such a character as to make it a practical impossibility for many ministers, especially in the country districts, to comply with the requests of said Board; and,

Whereas, It is not at all likely that our statistical showing will become satisfactory in years to come unless the work will be greatly simplified; and,

Whereas, The totals must, necessarily, misrepresent the true state of the Church, unless the statistics of all the schools are at least relatively complete; therefore,

Resolved, That we overture the General Synod to so modify the statistical blanks for Sunday-schools as to make it reasonably certain that ministers can and will fill out said blanks.

Resolved, That, in our opinion, so-called Union schools should be reported as a whole, on the ground that such schools, under the partial management of our Church, are to all intents and purposes *Reformed Sunday-schools*.

Resolved, That we consider it altogether unnecessary to burden the statistics with anything more than the following, which we would propose as an outline: The name of the charge, the name of the school, the name of the superintendent and his address, the number of officers and teachers, the cradle roll, the home department, the intermediate department, the senior department, the total enrollment, the average attendance, the number of scholars received during the year into full membership of the Church, the use of Reformed lesson helps, the number of books in the library, the benevolent contributions and contributions for the support of the school.

Resolved, That the following directions and explanations, or something equally plain and pertinent, in accordance with the above resolutions, be printed on the blanks:

1st. In the Sunday-school statistics, the total enrollment includes the officers and teachers, but in the congregational statistics, the officers and teachers, plus the scholars, must agree with the total enrollment of the Sunday-school.

2d. Under the "Number of scholars received into full membership of the Church during the year," is to be understood all the scholars that have been received into any church. The purpose of this column is not to show what the Reformed Church has gained, but to set forth the influence which the school has wrought in leading scholars to profess their faith in Jesus Christ.

3d. "Benevolent Contributions" include all contributions for truly benevolent work, whether in or out of the Reformed Church. It is designed to set forth the work of the school.

4th. Where there is a Cradle Roll and Home Department, which are embodied in the "total enrollment," the "average attendance" may appear out of proportion, but this is no reflection on the school.

5th. So-called "Union Sunday schools", under the partial management of our Church, are, to all intents and purposes, for us *Reformed schools*, and should, therefore, be reported in

their entirety, and be indicated with a star (*) before the name of the school.

6th. If a minister fails to fill out a column where a blank would be an evident mistake, the Stated Clerk of Classis shall put down such figures as he may deem proper before reporting the totals for publication.

ARTICLE XVIII. SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The report of the Sunday-School Board of the General Synod was received and referred to the Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools.

The Report of the Sunday-School Board of the General Synod.

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: It is pleasant to report a year of prosperity in the general Sunday-school work.

THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT.

This department is under the direct supervision of the Secretary of the Board and an Executive Committee, which meets monthly.

Regular financial statements are made to this Committee, and the funds of the Board are paid out by check, signed by the Secretary and countersigned by the Chief Clerk.

The annual Balance Sheet of the Periodical, Sunday-School Supply and Book Departments, including gross sales, gross gains, net gains, assets and liabilities, is prepared by a certified accountant, who reports directly to the Board.

From his statement of assets and liabilities for the year ending March 31, 1906, the following exhibit is given:

<i>Assets.</i>	
Cash on hand and in banks.....	\$6,179 56
Inventory.	
Sunday-School Supply and Book Department	
(cost)	\$12,453 40
Less ten per cent.....	1,245 34
	11,208 06
Paper on hand for Periodical Department.....	1,280 21
Cuts, Electrocs and Plates, one-third charged off every year..	1,240 35
Accounts receivable.....	12,989 44
Investments	957 18
Cost of Furniture and Fixtures up to last year....	\$2,194 79
Same charged off, purchased during the year	84 80
Appropriated to purchase of the Reformed Church Building	2,969 76
	\$36,889 36

Liabilities.

Capital one year ago	\$28,461	36
Periodicals paid for in advance.....	3,538	59
Due on Royalties to Ministerial Relief Society, etc.	73	70
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		\$32,073 65
Net gain from April 11, 1905, to March 31, 1906.....	\$4,815	71

The sales for the year were \$65,821.19, a healthy growth over the sales of the preceding year.

The fifth edition of the Sunday-School Hymnal—15,005 copies—was published last year making a total issue of 115,000 copies, and the third edition of the Primary Sunday-School Hymnal—10,000 copies—was also published, making a total of 30,000 to date.

OUR PERIODICALS.

There is a steady gain in the circulation of our Reformed Church periodicals. This is particularly true of the Heidelberg Teacher, the Home Department Quarterly and the Junior Scholars' Quarterly.

REFORMED CHURCH BUILDING.

Your reverend body is aware that this Board, as well as the other Boards of the Church, occupy rented quarters. The growth in property values and the growing requirements of the Business Department have compelled the Board to pay a constantly increasing rental.

For the sake of economy, permanency of quarters and the increased efficiency of the work, as well as in the hope that the Church could secure a building for the use of all its Boards, the Sunday-School Board, during the last year, held conferences with the other Boards of the Church on the subject of the erection of a Reformed Church Building in Philadelphia.

Legal difficulties prevented the formation of a holding corporation for the building, but there was a favorable feeling and a recognition of the advantages of such a building for the denomination. The Sunday-School Board, therefore, purchased a suitable site.

Plans and specifications have been prepared for the erection of a five-story fire-proof building.

The building project is going forward under the direction of an Advisory and Building Committee, composed of repre-

sentative business men of the Reformed Church in Philadelphia and vicinity, of which Mr. James M. Landis, Christ church, Philadelphia, is chairman, and Mr. Christian G. Gross, Emanuel Reformed church, Philadelphia, is treasurer.

Efforts have been made to secure funds for the erection of this building with some degree of success. It is hoped to erect the building within a year.

**FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL EDUCATIONAL
AND MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT—J. H. BOMBERGER,
TREASURER.**

Dr.

1906.

Apr. 1.	Balance brought forward.....	\$315 97
Mch. 31.	To cash received to date, inclusive, vis:	
	Offerings of Sunday-schools	\$2,939 71
	Interest from Dr. Jacob S. Fry Fund	155 52
	From Hungarian "Evangel".....	53 00
	From Presby. Bd., use of hymns ..	36 67
		<u>3,184 90</u>
		\$3,503 87

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Mch. 31.	Balance carried forward to new account.....	\$341 69
	Cash expended, grants of literature, cost of Children's Day Services, Educational Work and part expense of Board Meetings	\$1,254 54
	S. S. Missionaries' Salaries (3 men) ..	840 00
	On account "Hungarian Evangel" ...	263 46
	General Secretary's Salary (Propor'n)	600 00
	Office Assistant's Salary	173 08
	Treasurer's Salary.....	25 00
	Treasurer's Office Expenses (printing, stationery and postage)	6 10
		<u>3,162 18</u>
		\$3,503 87

The Board records with gratitude the receipt of the bequest of the Dr. Jacob S. Fry Sunday-School Fund of \$5,630, the income of which is to be used for Sunday-school, Missionary, and Educational work. There has also been received \$100 in the form of an Annuity Bond from a devoted lady member of the Reformed Church. Announcement is also made of the Linda S. Kaub Sunday-School Fund, amounting from \$7,500 to \$8,500, the income of which during life is to be given to Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Kaub, and after their death, the income to be devoted to educational and Sunday-School Mis-

sionary work. The thanks of the Church are due to these liberal donors.

In connection with the project of the erection of the Reformed Church Building, forty Reformed Sunday-schools have pledged a Sunday-School Fund of \$100 or more, the principal to be invested in the building, and the income to be used for Sunday-school and Missionary work. These pledges are payable within three years.

This endowment to the general Sunday-school work comes at an opportune time, for larger responsibility than ever rests upon this department of the Board's work.

SUNDAY-SCHOOL EXTENSION.

In addition to the support that has been given to the permanent Sunday-School Missionary and the work of several theological students during the past year, the Board has constantly increasing calls to aid weak and destitute schools, and to assist in starting new ones, by grants of literature. Fifty-six schools were thus helped the last year, representing an enrollment of 5,000.

A genuinely patriotic and praiseworthy work is the help rendered in the publication of Hungarian Lesson Helps and Sunday-School Literature. The tide of immigration increases whilst its quality deteriorates. Last year brought more than 1,000,000 foreigners to our shores, of whom at least 100,000 were Hungarians. Here is foundation work for the Sunday-School Board, for the colporteurs, Christian literature, and the Sunday-school can reach these foreigners and their children in the most effective manner. When we think of the children of these new-comers, and the vast number of other children growing up in spiritual darkness; when we recall the fact that our Sunday-school membership, as reported, is about 235,000—considerably below the church membership—we feel that renewed efforts should be made throughout the entire Church to increase the Sunday-school membership and to support this all-important work.

MISSIONS IN THE SUNDAY-SCHOOL.

It is well for your reverend body to note that at the present time there is a marked movement in the Sunday-schools of

the land, with reference to the training of scholars in missions. It is generally felt that the curriculum of our Sunday-schools should add to the study of the Bible, more definite study of the world's need and personal obligation. If we are to eradicate the selfishness of the human heart, we ought to establish in the child habits of benevolence. Giving in the Sunday-school must be recognized as an act of worship. At least once a quarter there should be mission study in the Sunday-school.

Ought not the effort be made to have every Sunday-school organized as a Missionary Society? Missionary books should be added to the Sunday-school library. Either in the Sunday-school or through the Young People's Society, a Mission Study Class should be formed.

Your Board is planning an educational missionary campaign in every Synod of the Church, and we earnestly hope that your reverend body will instruct its Sunday-School Board or Committee and the several Classes to emphasize Missions in the Sunday-school.

THE ADULT CLASS.

Another special movement is that of the organized Adult Class in the Sunday-school. The value of a definite organization of a Bible Class is that it places responsibility upon the members for the growth and work of the class. If there is a weak spot in our Reformed Sunday-school system it is the absence of father and mother, and of the older people, from the Sunday-school.

We trust your body will take appropriate action with reference to this important subject. More than one of our schools has discovered that the Brotherhood Bible Class of the Brotherhood of Andrew and Philip is an effective factor in reaching and holding men in the Sunday-school.

Attention is called to the fact that Volume Two of the Heidelberg Teacher Training Course was issued during the last year. This second volume contains valuable material relating to the work and missionary operations of our Reformed Church. It should lead to the organization of numerous teacher training classes the coming year.

Will not your reverend body earnestly request the hearty

support and co-operation, through the Classes, of every Sunday-school of our Church, not only in the use of the Board's literature and the patronage of its Business Department, as well as the support of its educational and missionary work, but also in co-operation with the Classical Committee on Sunday-school work, and the Synodical Sunday-School Board? More than ever the vision of Jesus and the child in the midst should be made a reality to all who have the opportunity and the responsibility for the right rearing and training of the rising generation.

Praying the blessing of the great Head of the Church upon the work that has been done, and that you may be guided by His Spirit to the right conclusions and the proper action, this report is respectfully submitted.

C. CLEVER, *President.*

RUFUS W. MILLER, *Secretary.*

September 22, 1906.

**Annual Report of the Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools of
the Reformed Church in the United States.**

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

In response to item 5, in report on Minutes of Synod, the following report was read by Dr. Samuel P. Heilman, which was referred to the Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools. The report reads as follows:

Your Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools, appointed one year ago, begs to submit the following report:

A first meeting of the committee was held in the city of Reading, Pa., February 14, 1906, where and when the committee was organized by electing Elder S. P. Heilman, M.D., chairman; Rev. A. S. Dechant, secretary, and Elder Chas. H. Leinbach, treasurer. After examining the instructions of Synod to the committee and mapping out work for the year, three resolutions were adopted, in substance as follows, requesting Classes:

1. To provide for one, two and three year terms in the appointment of Classical Committees on Sunday-school work.

2. To set aside not less than one hour's time at each annual meeting for the discussion of Sunday-school subjects, immediately following the report of the Permanent Committee on Sunday-School Work.

3. To constitute the classical year for Sunday-school statistical purposes as beginning April 1st and closing March 31st, and for the tallying of Sunday-school reports with parochial reports. These three requests were ordered to be drawn in circular letter form and a copy sent to each Classis in time for its annual meeting, and this was done,

Other work done at said first meeting was apportioning the twelve Classes of Synod to the five members of the committee, with the duty to provide at the annual meeting of the Classes:

1. Addresses on the floor of Classis.
2. An evening meeting through the local pastor.
3. Full information on Sunday-school work.
4. For Superintendents' conferences.

Provision was also made for a conference meeting of your committee with the Classical committees, to be held at Allentown, September 18th.

On August 1st, a circular letter was sent to the Stated Clerk of each Classes, requesting information as to how far his Classis had been able to meet, or had met, the three requests sent down by your committee, as named at the meeting of February 14. From the replies received, it appears that in some of the Classes the first request was complied with, and if not so in all the Classes, it is yet gratifying to report that in each and every Classes in the Synod there is now a Classical Committee on Sunday-School Work, altogether fifty persons on said twelve committees, and these especially engaged in, and charged with, doing Sunday-school work. All good and true men for good work.

As to the second and third requests, the replies were of various shadings: some Classes reporting full adoption, some partially favorable action and some no action. In the case of three Classes, the request circular was reported as not having been received.

As already arranged for, and in pursuance of due call, a conference meeting of your committee and the classical committees was held at Allentown, September 18th. Besides your committee and Rev. Dr. Miller and certain of the Allentown clerical brethren, there were present at the meeting classical committeemen from eight Classes. It was a matter

of regret that not all the Classes were represented, but as a beginning meeting, it was gratifying for the earnestness shown and for the encouraging reports brought, not, however, that discouragements were also in evidence.

The first part of the conference was hearing reports from Classes as to

1. Statements as to statistics.
2. Sunday-school conventions held.
3. General conditions of the work.
4. Needs and outlook.

From the Classes heard from, it appeared:

1. That in some Classes their Sunday-school statistics are complete and accurate, in others much trouble is experienced in getting such, in others improvement upon the past is noted. In those Classes reporting difficulty in getting satisfactory statistics, the difficulty is charged largely to Union schools, and their underlying hindrances. On the whole, a general advance towards better statistics was noted.

2. As to Sunday-school conventions, it was brought out that whilst in some Classes conventions, distinctly Reformed, are still held, the trend is to give the field over to the Pennsylvania State Sabbath School Association. Without in the least disparaging or antagonizing the work of the Association, it is, nevertheless, an open question in the mind of your committee, whether that trend should be encouraged by our people, and that question is here submitted to your reverend body with a request for an opinion or instruction as to whether Sunday-school conventions distinctly Reformed, that is, for our people, shall be the rule and to be adhered to.

3. As to the general conditions of the work, steady advance was reported along numerous lines—growth in the Home Department and Cradle Roll, larger attendance, larger enrollment, better grading of schools, more efficient teacher training, larger offerings, larger ingatherings and of more zealous missionary spirit.

4. As to needs and outlook, it was shown that more energy, more spiritual force, more missionary work, a more definite aim and a higher church standard are needed. A chief need, unanimously emphasized, is for better teacher training, for competent teachers, basing the material as well as the spiritual outlook on meeting this need.

From this presentment of facts as to the four preceding points, the conference passed to the consideration of certain problems. Amongst these, that of an increased membership campaign was given main consideration, and along with this topic that of greater missionary activity.

Towards securing a larger ingathering and better attendance, a large variety of measures were reported as in use and in favor—offering a Church button, presenting a Bible, sending out visiting cards, sending letters to absent scholars, rolls of honor, visiting committees, careful reporting by the secretary of the school, challenging scholars to faithfulness, individual effort by the teacher, cultivating class spirit and so forth. One minister reported an average addition of three per Sunday.

As to a greater missionary activity, help was reported in the missionary days appointed by the Church, with special services for such days, but it was insisted that such services shall be joint-services by the congregation and Sunday-school, and that the study of the Sunday-school lesson should at no time be omitted in their favor. Organizing the entire school into a missionary society was another kind of activity much in favor and also practiced in part. As an additional help, a supply to the Sunday-school library of distinctively missionary literature, by means of missionary books or missionary tracts, is urged.

As a result of the discussion of these two problems, it was ordered that a request be sent to "every Sunday-school of the Eastern Synod to enter upon a missionary campaign, to continue until April 1, 1907, the purpose of which campaign to be three-fold:

"1. An increase of ten per cent. in the membership of the school.

"2. An increase of fifteen per cent. in the offering for missions.

"3. The addition of at least ten new books on Missions to the Sunday-school library.

"A certificate of honor will be presented to every school which meets the three purposes, at the annual meeting of the Classes, through the Classical Sunday-School Committee.

"We trust that every school in the Synod will be pleads

to join in this campaign with an enthusiasm worthy of the cause."

The foregoing is our report for the year just closed, a year of beginnings. Your committee cannot tell in how far it has lived up to your expectations, or in how far it has fallen short of the same; nevertheless, taking it either way, we feel that Synod acted wisely in again providing a Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools, a committee standing for the entire year, in continuous study of the ever-pressing problems of the Sunday-school cause, to devise and recommend solutions thereto, and to act in an intermediary capacity between your reverend body and the worthy and excellent men in your Classical Committees towards pressing the work aggressively from all points. We believe that in such a committee lies large possibility for usefulness and that already in this one year something definite for good has been accomplished. Your committee begs sympathetic attitude on the part of your reverend body, approval of our efforts and your counsel as to further work.

Synod is respectfully reminded of the expiration of the term of Elder Chas. H. Leinbach as a member of the committee, and at the same time recommendation of his reelection is ventured.

Your committee claims payment of \$31.27 for expenses incurred during the year, the same, if granted, to be paid to its treasurer, Elder Chas. H. Leinbach.

Respectfully submitted,

S. P. HEILMAN, J. W. MEMINGER,
ABNER S. DECHANT, S. D. WHITMORE,
CHAS. H. LEINBACH.

Supplementary to the foregoing report, your committee feels that the time is approaching, if not here already, when Synod should seriously consider the advisability, or even the necessity, of placing into the field a field or visiting or supervising secretary, or whatever may be held as the proper title, whose entire time shall be given to the Sunday-schools of Synod, in the way of advising, explaining and inculcating later and improved and more thorough methods of Sunday-school work.

By order of the committee,

S. P. HEILMAN, *Chairman.*

Your committee is also of the opinion that the names of the members of the Classical Committees, with their address, for ready reference and access, should appear, in the minutes of Synod. These names and addresses are as follows:

EAST PENNSYLVANIA CLASSIS:

Rev. H. H. Rupp, Easton, Pa.
 Rev. H. J. Ehret, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Rev. J. G. Rupp, Northampton, Pa.
 Elder H. J. Boyer,
 Elder T. J. Kichline, Bangor, Pa.

LEBANON CLASSIS:

Elder S. P. Heilman, M.D., Heilman Dale, Pa.
 Rev. W. D. D. Donat, Jonestown, Pa.
 Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, Myerstown, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA CLASSIS:

Rev. A. C. Thompson, Norristown, Pa.
 Rev. L. L. Bickel, 733 North 41st St., Philadelphia, Pa.
 Rev. E. C. Hibeckman, 2156 N. 21st St., Philadelphia.
 Elder James McIntyre, Spring City, Pa.
 Elder S. G. Boltz, 3706 Brown St., Philadelphia, Pa.

LANCASTER CLASSIS:

Rev. D. W. Gerhard, D.D., Lancaster, Pa.
 Rev. D. G. Glass, Lancaster, Pa.
 Rev. W. F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.
 Elder E. H. Burkholder, Farmersville, Pa.
 Elder G. J. P. Raub, Quarryville, Pa.

EAST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS:

Elder C. C. Leader, three years, Shamokin, Pa.
 Elder Geo. Horne, three years, Sheppton, Pa.
 Elder Arthur Bubb, two years, Dalmatia, Pa.
 Elder D. M. Stine, two years, Elizabethville, Pa.
 Elder J. B. Nuss, one year, Bloomsburg, Pa.
 Elder John C. Fox, one year, Catawissa, Pa.
 Elder C. B. Witmer, one year, Sunbury, Pa.

WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS:

Rev. H. T. Crow, three years, Hublersburg, Pa.
 Rev. E. T. Rhodes, two years, Lewistown, Pa.
 Elder D. K. Miller, one year, Lock Haven, Pa.

TOHICKON CLASSIS:

Rev. F. J. Mohr, Quakertown, Pa.

Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., South Bethlehem, Pa.

Rev. J. O. Lindaman, Perkasie, Pa.

GOSHENHOPPEN CLASSIS:

Rev. W. B. Werner, Schwenksville, Pa.

Rev. N. M. Long, East Greenville, Pa.

Elder H. Bobb, East Greenville, Pa.

LEHIGH CLASSIS:

Rev. Geo. B. Smith, Kutztown, Pa.

Rev. T. H. Krick, Coplay, Pa.

Rev. R. M. Kern, Allentown, Pa.

SCHUYLKILL CLASSIS:

Rev. S. S. Kohler, Pine Grove, Pa.

Rev. O. H. Strunk, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.

Rev. W. D. Stoyer, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.

Elder J. W. Tyson, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.

Elder Thos. Koch, Mahanoy City, Pa.

WYOMING CLASSIS:

Rev. C. D. Lerch, Danville, Pa.

Rev. D. W. Happel, D.D., Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Rev. A. Houtz, Quarryville, Pa.

READING CLASSIS:

Rev. H. Y. Stoner, Wyomissing, Pa.

Rev. James R. Brown, Esterly, Pa.

Rev. D. E. Schaeffer, Liesport, Pa.

Elder C. H. Leinbach, Reading, Pa.

Elder H. S. Barnhart, Reading, Pa.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools.

The report of the Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools was presented on Monday, during the afternoon session, acted on item by item, and finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Sunday-Schools, begs leave to offer the following report:

There were placed into our hands the report of the Sunday-

School Board of the General Synod and the report of the Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools. From these documents we glean the following:

The work of the Board is in a very flourishing condition. The finances make a healthy showing. The sales for the year aggregated \$65,821.19, a net gain of \$4,815.71. The educational and missionary departments received \$3,503.87. Fifteen thousand copies of the Sunday-school hymnal were published, and ten thousand of the primary hymnal. There was a marked gain in the circulation of periodical literature, especially of the Heidelberg Teacher, the Home Department and the Junior Scholars Quarterly. Plans and specifications have been prepared for the erection of a five-story, fire-proof building. It is expected to see this building completed in a year hence. Several bequests to the Board have been received during the year, viz: the Jacob S. Fry Fund of \$5,630; the Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Kaub Fund, of about \$8,000. Private contributions have been received and some forty schools have pledged \$100 or more, the principal to be used in the erection of the building and the interest for Sunday-school and missionary work. Fifty-six schools were helped by grants of literature during the year. Attention is called to the need of organizing Mission Study Classes and of enlisting adults in the formation of adult Bible classes, and also to the Teacher Training Course, the second volume of which has recently been issued by the Board.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools, appointed by this Synod a year ago, rendered very valuable service to the Sunday-school cause. Numerous conferences were held, which resulted in systematizing some work among the Classes and in laying far-reaching plans for more effective work in the future. The committee, in its comprehensive and complete report, gives evidence of untiring zeal and intelligent devotion to the work.

In view of these facts and observations, we would recommend the following for your adoption:

1. *Resolved*, That this Synod hails with gratitude the marked signs of prosperity in our Sunday-school work.

2. *Resolved*, That it approves of the contemplated erection of a Reformed Church Building in Philadelphia, for the pur-

pose of increasing the usefulness and efficiency of the Board.

3. *Resolved*, That Mission Study Classes and Adult Bible Classes be formed wherever possible, and that the various Classes of the Synod be urged to bring this to the attention of pastors, superintendents and people.

4. *Resolved*, That, in view of the fact that effective teaching is of vital significance in successful Sunday-school work, Teacher Training Classes be organized.

5. That Pastors and Superintendents through the Classes be urged to adopt Reformed literature and Reformed Lesson Helps wherever possible.

6. *Resolved*, That this Synod heartily approves of a missionary campaign to increase the membership, the missionary contributions and the missionary intelligence of the schools, and that the Classes bring this matter to the attention of their schools.

7. *Resolved*, That this Synod, fully recognizing the importance of having a Superintendent on Normal work, does, however, not see its way clear at present to appoint the same.

8. *Resolved*, That Synod leaves the question of holding distinctly Reformed Conventions and affiliating with the work of the State Sabbath-School Association, to the discretion of the various Classes to act as conditions may determine.

9. *Resolved*, That we heartily commend the work of the Permanent Committee and that Elder Charles H. Leinbach be re-appointed for five years.

10. *Resolved*, That the bill of \$31.27, incurred by the Permanent Committee, be approved and the amount ordered to be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

C. E. SCHAEFFER,
J. A. MERTZ,

JOHN K. ADAMS,
GEO. W. STEIN.

ARTICLE XIX. PUBLICATION.

The undersigned begs leave to report, in response to item in the report on Minutes of Synod, that, in accordance with instructions, 4,200 copies of the Minutes of Synod of 1905,

held at Williamsport, Pa., were printed, bound in pamphlet form and distributed among those entitled to receive them, according to the rules and regulations of Synod in the case. The printing was done under the direction of the Reformed Church Publication Board, at a cost of ———, and the Minutes were distributed in January.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

The Stated Clerk was directed to have printed 4,400 of the Minutes of Eastern Synod, bound in pamphlet form and distribute the same to those entitled to receive them.

Annual Report of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Eastern, Pittsburgh and Potomac Synods:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Board of Publication herewith submits to your Reverend Bodies its annual report. The regular meetings of the Board are held on the first Wednesday in March and the first Wednesday in September, at the Publication Rooms, in Philadelphia. At the former meeting, an Auditing Committee is appointed, which, at the close of the fiscal year, June 30, examines the books and accounts of the Business Manager and audits his annual statement. The statement for the past year, as approved by the auditors, is as follows:

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.

RESOURCES.

Cash	\$3,127 09
Accounts receivable—Book Department.....	2,851 11
Accounts receivable—Advertising Department...	1,000 40
Merchandise—Book Department	11,743 87
Merchandise—"Messenger"	516 52
Furniture and Fixtures.....	1,248 57
Rent paid in advance.....	250 00
"Messenger"—Subscriptions due.....	2,783 57
"Review"—Subscriptions due	355 50
	<hr/> \$23,876 63

LIABILITIES.

"Messenger"—Subscriptions paid in advance....	\$4,316 08
"Review"—Subscriptions paid in advance	237 00
Capital June 30, 1906.....	19,323 55
	<hr/> \$23,876 63

LOSSES AND GAINS.

BOOK DEPARTMENT.		LOSS.	GAIN.
Inventory, July 1, 1906.....	\$11,743 87		
Credits for year	21,975 86		
	<u>\$33,719 73</u>		
Inventory for July 1, 1905...	\$5,603 10		
Debits for the year.....	23,864 47		
	<u>\$29,467 57</u>		\$4,252 16
Royalty from S. S. Board..			750 00
Interest on investments ...			8 75
MESSENGER.			
Inventory July 1, 1905.....	\$439 17		
Debits for year	14,687 87		
	<u>\$15,127 04</u>		
Inventory July 1, 1906.....	\$516 52		
Credits for year.....	11,861 30		
	<u>\$12,377 82</u>		
		\$2,749 22	
Subscriptions paid in advance	\$ 4,316 08		
Subscriptions due	2,783 57		
	<u>1,532 51</u>		
REVIEW.			
Credits for the year.....	\$788 00		
Debits for the year.....	774 73		
	<u>13 27</u>		
Subscriptions due	\$355 50		
Subscriptions paid in advance	237 00		
	<u>118 50</u>		
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.			
Inventory July 1, 1905.....	\$1,268 32		
Debits for year	97 50		
	<u>\$1,365 82</u>		
Inventory July 1, 1906.....	1,298 57		
	<u>67 25</u>		
Expenses Board meeting and printing reports....		52 45	
Net gain		741 25	
		<u>\$5,142 68</u>	\$5,142 68

Rev. A. S. Bromer, the Business Manager, in his last report to the Board, makes the following statement:

"During the year we have conducted the business on a basis of strictest economy, cutting down expenses wherever this was possible, without impairing the volume of business. An examination of our books will reveal the fact that the larger profits have not been realized through a material increase in business, but mainly through economy and the sales of the new Hymnal.

"The Messenger shows a decrease in the losses, and you will no doubt be pleased to report this to the Synods. The more favorable showing is, however, not due to the \$1.75

subscription alone, but to the reduction in expenses in conducting *The Messenger*. By the arrangement made with the Religious Press Association, we are enabled to dispense with the services of one clerk, who was receiving \$15.00 per week, and also relieved of the necessity of maintaining costly business relations with advertising agencies."

The change of price caused some falling off in the list of subscribers to *The Messenger*; and there will no doubt be other discontinuances for the same reason, but these will be balanced by new subscriptions taken. By instruction of the Board, we make an appeal to the Synods for an increased circulation of *The Messenger*, not only for the purpose of reducing the loss sustained in its publication, but more especially also for the purpose of enlarging its usefulness in the Church. The end to be accomplished by a church paper, as we understand it, is to produce religious and ecclesiastical intelligence among the people. For this purpose a good paper is needed. In our opinion, *The Messenger* is the kind of a paper that is required in our Church. Its style and standard compares very favorably with papers of its class. But in order to accomplish its purpose, it must be generally circulated and read. The pastors of the Synods no doubt are aware of the great help the religious family paper of their Church is to them in every department of their work. The Board of Publication, with its business department, does not exist for the sake of itself; the end it is to subserve is found in the good it accomplishes in the general life and activity of the Church. It cannot, however, accomplish its end unless its business departments be faithfully and loyally patronized and its publications circulated and read. We appeal to the Synods, therefore, that they exert themselves effectually for the attainment of these results.

In our report to your Reverend Bodies a year ago, we gave the action of our Board in the matter of securing a Reformed Church Building in the city of Philadelphia. At our meeting on March 7, 1906, Hon. W. Rush Gillan resigned his position as a member of the proposed new corporation. Our Board adopted the following resolution:

"*Resolved*, That the Publication Board does not deem it advisable that the project of securing a Reformed Church

Building should be prosecuted any further until a larger sum of money be secured for said purpose; and further, that we as a Board protest against the raising of moneys for the said Building and arranging that these moneys shall be owned and controlled by the Sunday-School Board or any one of the other Boards of the Church, and that consequently we decline to have anything further to do with this enterprise until the above points shall be adjusted satisfactorily to all the Boards interested."

The above action was transmitted to the Sunday-School Board, and the reply was received that the Sunday-School Board had determined to undertake the enterprise itself. The foregoing facts are stated in order to explain to the Synods the attitude of their Publication Board towards the proposed Church Building.

The terms of office of James T. Reber, H. M. Housekeeper and W. Rush Gillan will expire December 31, 1906. It will be incumbent upon the Synods severally represented by these gentlemen to fill the vacancies thus occasioned.

Respectfully submitted,

W. RUSH GILLAN, *President*.

A. E. TRUXAL, *Secretary*.

Report of Standing Committee on Publications.

The Standing Committee on Publications submitted its report on Monday, during the morning session. It was acted on item by item and finally the report as a whole was adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

Your Standing Committee on Publications begs leave to report as follows: The one document referred to your committee is the annual report of the Board of Publication, a concise budget of facts and conclusions meriting the hearty approval and challenging the earnest attention of this Board. Among the many worthy causes which annually pass muster before us, the cause of publications takes high rank. In an age which has multiplied the printed means of culture and education, unprecedentedly and often indiscriminately, it is of great importance to any Church to foster and guard with zealous care her denominational literature, her papers and her

books, her hymnals and her liturgies. And in the Reformed Church, which justly counts her educational heritage one of her notable assets, the Publication Board, in all the phases of its work, is of tantamount importance. We rejoice, therefore, that the outlook of this Board is growing brighter, recognizing that, under God, this upward trend in its affairs is due to the energy and efficiency of the Board and to the vigorous character of its publications. By heroic retrenchment in the running expenses and by aggressive business methods, this year's report shows a balance on the right side of the ledger, so that instead of a deficit exceeding \$4,000, which confronted us last year, we have a net gain of \$741.00. But we realize that the usefulness of this Board to the Church at large, conditioned by the hearty co-operation of our members and ministers, is still in its infancy. Your committee, therefore, respectfully submits the following recommendations:

1. That we commend the Board, the editors and the manager of the Publication interests for the high character of the "Messenger" and the "Review," and for the degree of progress which marks the work of the past year.

2. That through the Classes we urge our pastors and people to increase materially the circulation of the "Messenger," and also of the "Review."

3. That the Book Department, and especially the new hymnal, be recommended to the generous patronage of our people.

Respectfully submitted,

REV. F. HERMAN,
JOHN G. NOSS.

Elders N. M. Balliet, Esq., of Lehighton, Pa., and Chas. H. Leinbach, of Reading, Pa., were elected members of the Publication Board.

ARTICLE XX.

BETHANY ORPHANS' HOME AND OTHER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

I.—Bethany Orphans' Home.

The forty-third annual report of Bethany Orphans' Home was referred to your Standing Committee and also the following report received from its Superintendent:

To the Eastern Synod:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: It affords me much pleasure to be able to report another prosperous year for Bethany Orphans' Home, and to thank you collectively, in this formal way, for your kindly interest and your generous help in carrying on the work. You responded promptly to our various appeals and the bulk of our Christmas contributions came from within the bounds of your Synod.

One hundred and seven of our children came from your section of the Church, and application has been made for the admission of others. These applications receive sympathetic consideration. Owing to the crowded condition of the Home, our Board of Managers must, of necessity, limit admission to the most urgent cases and many had to be turned away during the year. But all who had no other place of refuge and no friends who were willing and able to pay for their support, were freely admitted and tenderly cared for. This will continue to be the case in the future as in the past, and we trust the brethren of Eastern Synod will have no hesitancy in applying for the admission of needy orphans. We are pleased to serve you in taking care of such children and we invite you to be co-workers with us in their support.

We rejoice to be able to report to you that the capacity of the Home is about to be increased, by the erection and equipment of a new building, which will afford room for about twenty little boys and girls. The foundations of this cottage are built and work will be pushed as hard as possible for occupancy next summer. We will then be able to classify our children better and give them the benefit of a nearer approach to the family life during their younger years.

This enlargement of the Home will necessitate a larger income, and this should be borne in mind when announcement of the annual Orphans' Home offering is made to the congregations and Sunday-schools at Christmas time.

Without going into further details, we call your attention to our annual report, and ask for it your careful perusal. It tells you the story of our aims, methods and achievements for the glory of God and the good of His children. May He

continue to bless our efforts and incline the heart of each one of His people to participate zealously in this blessed work.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON F. MORE, *Superintendent.*

Womelsdorf, Pa., October 9, 1906.

Report of Standing Committee on Bethany Orphans' Home.

The following report on Bethany Orphans' Home was made on Monday, during the afternoon session. It was considered and acted on its several items and finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: The forty-third annual report of Bethany Orphans' Home, together with the report of its Superintendent, Rev. W. F. More, have been handed to your committee, which begs leave to report the following:

The annual report of the Board of Managers of the Home is very gratifying and encouraging. It shows a very healthy growth of the institution intensively, and extensively and manifests the generous patronage and interest of the Church. The report should have the widest circulation among the members of the Church.

From the Superintendent's report we learn, that 107 of the 135 children come from within the bounds of Eastern Synod. More had applied for admission, but, owing to the crowded conditions, only the most urgent cases could be accommodated.

The report has also a message of joy, in that it heralds the construction of a new building, affording room to twenty little boys and girls, foreshadowing a nearer approach to true family life.

The report, as is also the Bethany Orphans' Home column, in the "Reformed Church Messenger," is expressive of vigilance, earnest endeavor, true consecration, love, and we may add, efficiency, on the part of the Superintendent.

In view of the above, we offer the following resolutions:

1. That this Synod highly recommends and appreciates the work of our Superintendent, Rev. W. F. More, and prays that

Ged's blessing of wisdom, grace and the Holy Spirit may rest upon him in his blessed work.

2. That Synod commends this institution to its Classes, pastors and people for their liberal support with their annual Christmas offerings, legacies, gifts and attendance on Anniversary Day.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES O. OSWALD,

H. L. FOGLEMAN,

A. SCHOENENBERGER,

ALBERT GONSER,

L. R. RAEZER.

Report of the President of the Board of Trustees of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home, Allentown, Pa.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND AND DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Allow me respectfully to submit this my third annual report:

A little over two years have elapsed since the formal opening of this institution, representing, as it does, that feature of organized Christian work but little known among our people until the last few years. Yet through the abundant blessing of the great Head of the Church upon our feeble efforts, already five young ladies, who feel themselves called to the work of the Christian Deaconess, have matriculated and are in course of education and training for the deaconess office; while the Old Folks' Department has been filled to its utmost capacity almost from the beginning.

There are now all told eleven inmates in the Home, namely: Miss J. M. Baur, Superintendent; five probationers and five old people, all of whom are completely domiciled and happy.

Lectures were regularly given to the probationers since October 2, 1905, as follows:

Dr. W. H. Hartzell, "Theory of Nursing;" Dr. Reins Hartzell, "Anatomy;" Rev. Scott R. Wagner, "The Pentateuch and Historical Books to the Captivity;" Rev. T. F. Herman, "New Testament, the Gospels;" Rev. F. C. Leitz, "Heidelberg Catechism;" Miss J. M. Baur, "General Lectures on Deaconess Office and Work;" Miss Nettie Ziegler, "Music." A course of lectures and reading for the second year has been adopted and is now being delivered.

The probationers have all made commendable progress in their studies and manifest a growing interest in their calling and prospective work.

By the judicious and efficient management of the Superintendent, the inmates of the Home have all been well cared for, whilst not a little was done by her, and also by the probationers under her direction, in the way of nursing sick in the city of Allentown and vicinity, and they have made ardent friends for the Deaconess cause.

The immediate management of the institution is attended to by an executive committee, which meets twice a month. The income for the running expenses of the Home for the year ending June 11 was \$2,781.44. The expenses amounted to \$2,324.54, thus leaving a balance in the treasury of \$456.90.

The purpose of the founders of this institution from the beginning was to make it at once a training school, where consecrated young women might be prepared for the office and work of the Christian deaconess, as trained nurses, parish workers and instructors, a permanent home for deaconesses and an old folks' home. And it is felt that whilst the time should come when there will be deaconess homes scattered over the whole Church, it is nevertheless believed that one *training school*, such as has been planned for the Phoebe Deaconess Home, should be enough for the whole Church for many years to come. And it may be for this reason that not a few of the friends of this holy cause, from beyond the bounds of the contracting Classes, have expressed the feeling that the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home should be the property of the Synod. Certain it is that the need of such an institution is felt away beyond the bounds of our Synod; for one of the young ladies in course of training hails from the Pittsburg Synod, and two of the inmates of the Old Folks' Department come from the bounds of the Synod of the Potomac.

When the day of transfer comes, if such an event will ever occur, it will doubtless be hailed with gladness by all who are enlisted in its cause, yet with the suggestion that it might, perhaps, be better made the property of the three Synods—the Eastern, the Pittsburg and the Potomac.

It has been keenly felt that our present buildings should be

enlarged, or rather, that a new and commodious building should be erected. To erect and equip such a building as is needed to enable us to do the work laid out for the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home, we will need at least \$50,000. Toward this sum we now have \$2,600. Oh, that the good Lord may open the hearts of all who are blessed with this world's goods to lay this much-needed sum upon the Lord's altar, thus consecrating it to the work of Christian mercy for all time to come!

That this institution is growing into favor, and that its benign work is more and more appreciated, is evidenced by many very encouraging facts. Some of these may be named as follows:

The ladies' auxiliary, organized only two years ago, has reached a membership of over five hundred, while not less than seven chapters have been organized in as many charges. This body of willing workers has raised at least \$1,500 towards a building fund, besides in many other ways supporting the Home. More churches have made contributions for the support of the institution during the past year than during the previous year, while the contributions have been generous.

The King's Daughters of Zion's Reformed church, Allentown, have remodeled, beautified, furnished and equipped the dining room of the Home, and have resolved to keep the same furnished and in proper repair.

Applications for admission into the Old Folks' Home have come from distances as far remote as the States of Virginia and Michigan, while communications from ladies making inquiry concerning admission to the Deaconess Home have come from beyond our borders.

At least one Classis, that of East Susquehanna, directs its ministers to commend the Phoebe Deaconess Home, Allentown, Pa., to the prayers and liberality of the congregations under its care, and directs all persons desiring the office of deaconess to apply to the Phoebe Deaconess Home.

While the needs of our cherished Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home are many and varied, all of which press heavily upon our hearts, there are two which are of paramount importance: The first is the election of a suitable male Superintendent, who shall devote his life to this holy cause; and

the second is the increase of the numbers of candidates for the deaconess office. Oh, that the earnest cry may go up to the sacred Head of the Church that He may call many of the consecrated women of the Church to devote their lives to the work of the Christian deaconess.

We humbly but also confidently ask this Synod to take such action as will commend this institution of mercy to the earnest prayers and liberal support of all our people.

And now unto Him who is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto Him be glory in the Church and in Jesus Christ unto all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. KOPLIN, *President.*

Hellertown, Pa., October 23, 1906.

Report of the Special Committee of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks' Home, Allentown, Pa.

In response to item 3 in report on Overtures. a special committee was appointed, consisting of Revs. Robt. M. Kern, W. H. Mader and Elder J. S. Peters, to whom was referred the report of the Board of Trustees of the Phoebe Deaconess and Old Folks Home, who presented the following report, which was adopted. It reads as follows:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee notes the following facts in the report submitted: Five young ladies are in training; five aged ladies, the utmost capacity of the Home, are being cared for; suitable instruction is gratuitously provided for the training of the deaconesses; the Superintendent, Miss Johanna M. Baur, with the help of the deaconesses in training, is doing a godly work; the executive committee is attending promptly to the needs of the institution; the current expenses of the Home have been promptly met, with a respectable balance in hand; that one such institution in the Church, if properly supported and developed, is deemed sufficient for many years to come; that it is the desire of the present management and the contracting Classes to make the institution Synodical as soon as may be deemed advisable, in order to meet the wishes of her warm friends beyond the

present bounds; that the Home needs no less than \$50,000 to erect a building adequate to meet its needs; that it is winning the hearts of pastors and people far and wide; that the ladies in the community are staunch supporters of the Home; that applications for admission into the Old Folks' Department have come from states as far remote as Virginia and Michigan; that East Susquehanna Classis commends the Home to her pastors and people; that the Board is casting about for a suitable man to head the institution and shoulder the obligations of this great and glorious work. Your committee, therefore, makes the following recommendations:

1. That Eastern Synod notes with great pleasure the commendable progress of this institution during the second year of its existence.

2. That we recognize and fully appreciate the hard yet exceedingly important work done by the three Classes.

3. That we commend this institution to the several Classes of this Synod.

4. That the prayer for a \$50,000 building to meet the needs of the institution be made known to our liberal and charitably disposed people.

5. That Eastern Synod even now will do all that lies in its power to assist the three Classes to bring the institution to such financial standing that the transfer of the institution will be hailed with great joy.

6. That the report of the President of the Board of Trustees be printed in the Minutes of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT M. KERN, *Chairman.*

Annual Report of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

To the Eastern Synod:

REV. FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Permit me, as Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States, to present for the information of your reverend body the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same within your bounds, for the year ending September 30, 1906.

RECEIPTS.

Received from Philadelphia Classis	\$377 14
Received from Reading Classis	207 02
Received from Goshenhoppen Classis	128 00
Received from Lancaster Classis	126 00
Received from Lehigh Classis	105 00
Received from Wyoming Classis	76 35
Received from West Susquehanna Classis	72 54
Received from Lebanon Classis	65 00
Received from Schuylkill Classis	65 00
Received from East Susquehanna Classis	52 21
Received from East Pennsylvania Classis	23 51
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	\$1,299 87

EXPENDITURES.

East Pennsylvania Classis paid to five annuitants	\$300 00
East Susquehanna Classis paid to five annuitants	260 00
Lancaster Classis paid to four annuitants	325 00
Lehigh Classis paid to four annuitants	200 00
Philadelphia Classis paid to three annuitants	125 00
Wyoming Classis paid to two annuitants	125 00
West Susquehanna Classis paid to two annuitants	135 00
Reading Classis paid to one annuitant	100 00
Schuylkill Classis paid to one annuitant	75 00
Tohickon Classis paid to one annuitant	75 00
Goshenhoppen Classis paid to one annuitant	60 00
Lebanon Classis paid to one annuitant	50 00
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	\$1,830 00

From the above statement it will be seen what has been received from the several Classes and what has been paid by the Society to the annuitants within their bounds. The hope is expressed that in the coming year the encouragement of this noble work of the Society will be greater, and the offerings to the cause of relief will be more generous than in the past year. There is need of this in view of the fact that the number of annuitants is increasing year by year, and the cost of living being higher, the appropriations ought to be increased. This the Society is willing to do if the Church will give it the ability to make them larger, and thus meet the needs of the applicants for financial aid.

With the prayer that your deliberations may be under the guidance of the Holy Spirit,

I am, yours fraternally,

SIMON S. MILLER,
Treasurer and Solicitor.

The officers of the above Society present for publication in the minutes of your reverend body the following exhibit

of the receipts and expenditures of the same for the year ending September 30, 1906:

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury, as per last report.....	\$3,247 88
Cash from loans paid	8,535 00
Cash from collections in the churches.....	3,248 67
Cash from interest on investments	2,803 15
Cash from royalty on Church Hymnal	1,516 50
Cash from royalty on Sunday-school Hymnal	69 11
Cash from individual gifts.....	238 90
Cash from Pittsburgh Synod (special).....	150 00
Cash from Mrs. Ellen Hefright estate	482 72
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	\$20,291 93

EXPENDITURES.

Loans paid re-invested	\$8,535 00
New Investment—Life memberships.....	\$2,482 28
Mrs. Hefright bequest.....	482 72
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	2,965 00
Paid to 69 annuitants.....	4,362 50
Paid for treasurer's salary and bond.....	610 00
Paid for treasurer's traveling expenses.....	89 73
Paid for postage and stationery.....	32 08
Paid for printing	9 90
Cash in treasury, September 30, 1906.....	3,687 72
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	\$20,291 93

ASSETS OF THE SOCIETY.

Invested fund	\$73,265 00
Cash in treasury	3,687 72
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Total	\$76,952 72

The following have become members during the year:

LIFE MEMBERS.

Revs. J. Lucian Roush, Wendelin Wittenwyler, Wm. G. Kuentzel, Elwood W. Middleton, George H. Miller, Harry W. Bright, Emil Lehrer, John Wernly, Samuel E. Moyer, John M. Kendig, D.D., Geo. H. Leonard, D.D., Jacob P. Stahl, D.D., Benoni Bates, Albert S. Bromer, Franklin H. Fisher, Silas L. Messinger, S. T. D., Chas. B. Alspach, William Friebolin, Henry H. Apple, E. Bruce Lyttle, George Stibitz, D.D., Geo. S. Sorber, Calvin Skyles, William H. Landis, Christian H. Schoepfle, William F. DeLong, William D. Happel, Ph. D., Geo. J. Lisberger, Chas. A. Waltman, Moses A. Kieffer, Val. Rettig, George W. Roth, Julius C. J. Kurtz, George B. Smith, Harvey E. Kilmer, John Winter, Clayton H. Ranck, Simon P. Brown, Albert Gonser, Harvey L. Hart, John A. Leuzinger, Charles H. Faust, Albert C. Diefenbach, Frederick H. Keller,

John L. Barnhart, Wm. A. McClellan, Daniel Gress, Edwin T. Rhodes and David H. Fouse.

ANNUAL MEMBERS.

Revs. J. S. Kosower, H. H. Kattman and C. P. Seibel.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

Rev. J. David Miller, President, Shepherdstown, W. Va.; Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Vice-President, Harrisburg, Pa.; Rev. John W. Pontius, Secretary, Middletown, Md.; Rev. Simon S. Miller, Treasurer and Solicitor, Frederick, Md.; Rev. E. R. Eschbach and Rev. Isaac M. Motter, Adsessors, Frederick, Md.

HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, D.D., Potomac Synod, Martinsburg, W. Va.; Rev. D. A. Souders, D.D., Pittsburgh Synod, Irwin, Pa.; Rev. S. B. Yockey, D.D., Ohio Synod, Xenia, Pa.; Rev. J. H. Stepler, D.D., Central Synod, Cleveland, O.; Rev. J. W. Grossheusch, Synod of the Northwest, Plymouth, Wis., and Rev. A. E. Dahlmann, D.D., German Synod of the East, Buffalo, N. Y.

SIMON S. MILLER,
Treasurer and Solicitor.

Report of Special Committee on Society for Relief of Ministers, etc.

In response to items 1 and 2, in the report on Overtures, a special committee, was appointed, consisting of Revs. Paul S. Leinbach, W. D. Donat and Elder I. W. Tyson, to whom these items, together with the foregoing report, were referred and who presented, on Monday, during the evening session, the following report, which was adopted:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Your committee, to whom was referred items 1 and 2 of the Committee on Overtures, relating to the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows, and the Board of Ministerial Relief of the General Synod, begs leave to report that the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows gives a very gratifying statement of its work during the year, showing that considerably more

was expended in payment to needy annuitants within the bounds of this Synod than was received from congregations and individuals within our territory; that the invested fund of the Society now amounts to \$73,265.00, but that the offerings from the congregations should be largely increased, as only about \$1,300 were contributed by Eastern Synod during the past year for this great work.

The Board of Ministerial Relief of the General Synod makes a statement of its receipts and asks for the support of this Synod in the commendation of its work to our Classes and congregations and in a request to the Classes to appoint a minister to represent the interest of any disabled servants of the Church in the work of this Board.

At the last annual meeting, this Synod decided that it could not see its way clear to grant the request of General Synod's Board, inasmuch as this body did not deem it advisable to recommend offerings for two Relief Societies. It is unquestionable that this duplication of societies aiming at the same general end is unfortunate, and the hope of the Church is that some agreement may be reached by which this beautiful and important work of relief may be done by a single society, to the benefits of which every minister of the Reformed Church in good standing shall be eligible.

We, therefore, recommend the following for your action:

1. Whereas the offerings of our people for the cause of Ministerial Relief have hitherto been entirely inadequate and out of proportion to the generous provision made by some other denominations, this Synod again emphasizes its conviction of the importance of this cause, and through the several Classes urges that our people in every congregation be given the privilege of contributing toward this necessary work, so that the aged and disabled servants of the Church may be provided with the larger help to which they are entitled and which the honor and welfare of our Church demand they should receive.

2. Whilst this Synod has entire confidence in the work and management of the Relief Society, which has been doing so much good for so many years and feels constrained to believe that it ought to be possible for one Society, properly sup-

ported, to do the relief work of the Church, yet it pleased the General Synod to elect an additional board of Ministerial Relief, and we feel that so long as the two organizations are not united, our people should be given the privilege of committing their offerings for that worthy cause to one or both of these organizations, as they may see fit.

3. This Synod is glad to learn from representatives of the two societies that efforts have already been made to unify this work, and records the hope that this movement may speedily succeed and that the present duplication be terminated.

Respectfully submitted,

PAUL S. LEINBACH, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XXI.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Resolved, That it be made herewith incumbent upon the Standing Committee on Religious Services that it be and hereby is authorized to make arrangements with the Consistory of the Church in which Synod convenes to hold its annual sessions to celebrate the Holy Communion on the Lord's Day, and that the same be preceded with the customary preparatory service.

The foregoing instructions adopted a year ago were reiterated.

On motion, the services of N. M. Balliet, Esq., were accepted to act in conjunction with the Stated Clerk of Synod, to have, if necessary, the charter of Synod so amended as to be in conformity with the legal requirements of the State Constitution.

ARTICLE XXII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Standing Committee on Nominations, to whom were referred the vacancies occurring in the several Boards, presented their report on Friday, which was adopted.

The election for the vacancy on the Board of Trustees of Synod was held on Friday, at 2 p. m., which resulted in the election of R. Monroe Hoffman, of Reading, Pa. Revs. Fogelman, DeLong and the Elders Stein and Lehr acting as tellers.

The remainder of the ballot was ordered to be printed, and the election was made the order of the day on Saturday, at 11 p. m.

When the order of the day was at hand, the President appointed as tellers Revs. Spessard, Ault and Elders Luft and Eiseman, and the election resulted as follows, to wit:

For the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary—Revs. Drs. Samuel G. Wagner, N. C. Schaeffer and James Crawford.

For the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary—John G. Skyles, Dr. E. I. Santee and Jas. F. Hunsicker.

For Board of Missions—Rev. Thomas H. Leinbach and Elder E. H. Burkholder.

For the Board of Reformed Church Publication Board—Elders N. M. Balliet and Chas. H. Leinbach.

Place of Next Annual Meeting of Synod—First Reformed church, Lancaster, Pa.

An Excursion Ride Over the Switch Back.

An invitation was extended to the members of Synod and visitors to a ride on the trolley cars over the Switch Back at Mauch Chunk, Pa., which was accepted. On Saturday, at two p. m., the business of Synod having been suspended, the ride was taken over the hills through the picturesque scenery of the Lehigh Valley, to the great delight and satisfaction of the participants.

Time and Place for Next Synod's Annual Meeting.

Invitations were received from Reformed church, Lock Haven, Pa.; Second Reformed church, Harrisburg; St. Stephens' Reformed church, Reading, and the First church, Lancaster. Synod expressed its choice in the selection of Lancaster, Pa., and decided to hold its next annual session on Wednesday, October 23, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in the First Reformed church, Lancaster, Pa.

Reporters to the Press.

At the opening of the session, the President appointed Revs. D. E. Schoedler, D.D., C. B. Alspach, J. Rauch Stein, Thos. H. Leinbach, J. W. Shelley, Paul S. Leinbach and Elder H. S. Rinker as reporters to the press. At the close of the session it was reported that full and accurate reports were made of the acts and proceedings of Synod, which report was thankfully accepted.

Committee Appointed to Note the Presence of Advisory Members.

At the beginning of the session, the President appointed Revs. Wm. Yenser, Robert M. Kern and Elder Geo. A. Hollinger to report from time to time the presence of advisory members and visiting brethren, together with their proper church relation. Daily reports were received and their contents incorporated in the Minutes.

Excuses for Leave of Absence.

On the fourth day of the session, the President appointed Revs. Paul J. Dundore, A. P. Steinbrey and Elder Theo. Glass as a Committee on Leave of Absence. At the close of the sessions the committee presented its report, stating valid reasons for excusing those who felt constrained to absent themselves from further attendance, which report was accepted.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were offered and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Synod hereby expresses its hearty appreciation for the cordial reception tendered by the Zion's Reformed church, Lehighton, Pa., and the admirable arrangements which the congregation made for expediting business and for the comfort and convenience of its members.

Resolved, That Synod hereby expresses its gratification in the vigorous growth of the congregation and is much impressed with its aggressive spirit, which has been so manifest during its brief stay in their midst.

Resolved, That Synod expresses its sincere appreciation for the generous hospitality and courtesy of the pastor and members of the church and of the people of Lehighton, Pa.

Resolved, That Synod extends to the organist and choir its most hearty thanks for their excellent and inspiring music, and the valuable service they rendered during its sessions.

Resolved, That Synod tenders its sincere thanks to the Trunk Line Association for the courtesy in granting to members and visitors card orders for excursion rates on all competing lines, and also to the Carbon Street Railway Company and the managers of the Switch Back Railroad for the highly enjoyable free excursion on Saturday afternoon on their respective lines.

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five dollars be paid the Treasurer of Zion's Reformed congregation for the use of the church and to defray necessary incidental expenses.

The business of Synod being completed, the roll was called and the delegates answering to their names were marked present. Those that were found to be absent were excused.

The minutes of the fifth day of the session were read and approved, whereupon the minutes as a whole were adopted.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ADJOURNMENT.

The following resolution was adopted before adjournment, namely:

Resolved, That when Synod adjourns finally it be to meet in annual session October 23, A. D. 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in First Reformed church, Lancaster, Pa.

Synod adjourned finally on Monday, at 9 p. m., October 29th, with religious service.

The members of Synod assembled in front of the chancel, united in the confession of faith and in the Lord's Prayer.

The hymn, "Blest be the tie that binds," was sung and Synod was dismissed with the apostolic benediction by the President.

E. N. KREMER, *President.*

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

Official copy of the original minutes.

Attest:

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

SYNOD OF REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES.

In compiling this record of the given number of members that communed during the year, it is proper to state that the earlier records are not accurate, as a number of the congregations have no entry made in the statistical tables. In the earlier Minutes of Synod the classical statistics are not added, neither do we find a statistical summary of all the Classes in the Minutes of Synod until 1854. Neither is the entire membership given in the earlier records, but only those who communed during the year. This order is observed throughout in the following record.

In presenting this consecutive record of the Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States, it is to be borne in mind that it originally embraced the whole territory designated by its title. The formation of other Synods, with the given dates of organization, in the territory of the mother Synod will partially explain the sliding scale in the numbers that appeared in the column of members that communed from year to year.

The Ohio Synod was organized in 1824; Synod of Northwest in 1867; Synod of Pittsburg in 1870; Synod of Potomac in 1873; German Synod of the East in 1874; Central Synod in 1882, and Synod of the Interior in 1887.

In the early history of the Synod, the Recording Secretary was elected annually. In 1837, the official title of this officer of Synod is known as the Stated Clerk, who holds his position from year to year without re-election.

During this interim of eighty-nine years, Synod held nine special meetings. The first was held at Harrisburg, in 1834, to adopt measures for the permanent location of its High School and Theological Seminary, resulting eventually in the selection of Mercersburg; the second at Chambersburg, in 1840, when Synod elected unanimously Dr. Jno. W. Nevin as Professor of Theology in the Theological Seminary; the third at Lebanon, in 1843, when Synod elected Dr. Fred. Wm. Krummacker, of Elberfeld, Prussia, as German Professor in

Theological Seminary, which, however, in his declination, resulted in the election of Dr. Philip Schaff; the fourth at Philadelphia, in 1866, to accept the resignation of Dr. Philip Schaff, and to make provision for his successor; the fifth at Harrisburg, in 1868, to fill the chair of Didactic and Practical Theology, made vacant by the death of Dr. Henry Harbaugh, which resulted in the election of Dr. E. V. Gerhart; the sixth at Lancaster, in 1871, to accept the resignation of Dr. E. E. Higbee, Professor of Church History, and the filling of the vacancy in the election of Dr. Thos. G. Appel; the seventh at Lancaster, in 1873, to consummate a plan of co-operation among the Eastern, Pittsburg and Potomac Synods for the support and management of the Theological Seminary, and a united effort in the cause of Home Missions.

At the Synod at Bloomsburg, in 1873, Rev. F. A. Gast, D.D., was elected to the Professorship of Hebrew and Old Testament Theology, after serving two years as tutor in the same position.

In 1898, at Reading, Pa., the vacancy in the faculty of the Theological Seminary, occasioned by the death of Dr. Thos. G. Appel, was filled by the election of Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Richards to the Chair of Church History.

At the eighth special meeting, held at Reading, Pa., June, 1904, the vacancy occurring by the death of Rev. Dr. E. V. Gerhart was filled by the election of Rev. Theo. F. Herman to the chair of Didactic Theology; and at the ninth special meeting, held at Reading, Pa., September, 1904, the resignation of Rev. Theo. O. Herman was accepted, as he felt constrained to decline the honor which Synod deemed proper to confer upon him, and the vacancy occasioned by his resignation was filled by the election of Rev. Christopher Noss, the lately returned missionary from the Empire of Japan.

SYNOD OF REFORMED CHURCH IN UNITED STATES.

Place of Meeting.	President.	Recording Secretary.	Cor. Secretary.	Treasurer.	Members Contributed.
York	Rev. William Hendel, D.D.	Rev. John H. Hoffmeister	Rev. J. R. Redly	Rev. William Hendel	10,223
Carlisle	Rev. John H. Hoffmeister	Rev. Ludwig Mayer, D.D.	Rev. J. R. Redly	Rev. William Hendel	15,200
Leicester	Rev. Ludwig Mayer, D.D.	Rev. B. Helfenstein, D.D.	Rev. J. R. Redly	Rev. William Hendel	17,266
Reading	Rev. Sam. Helfenstein, D.D.	Rev. Lebrecht L. Hinrich	Rev. J. R. Redly	Rev. William Hendel	31,304
Harrisburg	Rev. F. W. Vanderhoof	Rev. Fred W. Vanderhoof	Rev. J. R. Redly	Rev. William Hendel	10,700
Baltimore	Rev. Thomas Pomp	Rev. T. L. Hoffedits, D.D.	Rev. J. R. Redly	Rev. William Hendel	12,438
Bedford	Rev. William Hendel, D.D.	Rev. Albert Helfenstein	Rev. Martin Brunner	Rev. William Hendel	11,420
Philadelphia	Rev. Frederick Rahauer	Rev. J. W. Dechant	Rev. John S. F. Baugh	Rev. William Hendel	13,125
Frederick	Rev. Sam. Helfenstein, D.D.	Rev. Just H. Fries, D.D.	Rev. John S. F. Baugh	Rev. William Hendel	13,161
York	Rev. T. L. Hoffedits, D.D.	Rev. Jacob C. Becker	Rev. Albert Helfenstein	Rev. William Hendel	12,100
Millinburg	Rev. George Wack	Rev. F. Rahauer	Rev. M. Brunner	Rev. William Hendel	12,347
Lebanon	Rev. James R. Redly	Rev. Jacob Seiger	Rev. Samuel Gutellus	Rev. William Hendel	13,473
Hagerstown	Rev. Henry B. Schaffner	Rev. Henj. N. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. Samuel Gutellus	Rev. George Small	11,832
Harrisburg	Rev. J. William Dechant	Rev. D. Willers, D.D.	Rev. Samuel Gutellus	Rev. George Small	14,839
Frederick	Rev. D. Willers, D.D.	Rev. N. P. Hacke	Rev. B. H. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. George Small	14,837
Easton	Rev. Samuel Gutellus	Rev. William A. Good	Rev. B. C. Wolff, D.D.	Rev. George Small	12,056
Pittsburgh	Rev. M. Brunner, pro tem	Rev. B. C. Wolff, D.D.	Rev. B. B. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. George Small	10,008
Harrisburg (spec.)	Rev. Daniel Zacharias, D.D.	Rev. John Caret	Rev. B. B. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	10,465
Chambersburg	Rev. T. L. Hoffedits, D.D.	Rev. John Caret	Rev. B. B. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	17,034
Baltimore	Rev. D. Willers, D.D.	Rev. Samuel Gutellus, D.D.	Rev. D. Zacharias, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	16,578
Quincy	Rev. M. Brunner	Rev. Samuel Gutellus, D.D.	Rev. B. C. Wolff, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	16,548
Leicester	Rev. B. B. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. Samuel Gutellus, D.D.	Rev. S. R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	16,013
Philadelphia	Rev. B. B. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. Samuel Gutellus, D.D.	Rev. Elias Heimer, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	20,011
Chambersburg (spec.)	Rev. T. L. Hoffedits, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. D. Zacharias, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	27,700
Reading	Rev. John Caret	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. John F. Meadick	Rev. William Heyner	33,020
Louisburg	Rev. John Caret	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. John F. Meadick	Rev. William Heyner	30,400
Lebanon (special)	Rev. Joseph F. Berg, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. John F. Meadick	Rev. William Heyner	35,301
Winchester	Rev. Henry Ridgeway, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. J. (super) Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	31,780
Albion	Rev. B. B. Schenck, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. F. V. (super) Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	32,373
York	Rev. J. C. Richter, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Chas. F. McCauley, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	30,047
Carlisle	Rev. Samuel Gutellus	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William A. Good	Rev. William Heyner	30,430
Leicester	Rev. Elias Heimer, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Henry Harbaugh, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	38,328
Baltimore	Rev. John Reibough	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. H. A. Hornberger, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	40,143
Harrisburg	Rev. Alfred Helfenstein, Jr.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Thos. Apple, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	40,150
Leicester	Rev. Moses Kiefer, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. N. S. (super) Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	36,400
Baltimore	Rev. John F. Meadick, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Wm. F. (super) Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	48,445
Philadelphia	Rev. Daniel O. Bragdon	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Jacob B. (super) Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	48,445
Springburg	Rev. William F. (super) Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Jacob B. (super) Fisher, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	48,445

PLANS OF MEETING.

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CONDUCTOR.

Boston	Sept. 24, 1841	Rev. Henry Barbauld, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Theo. P. Bucher	Rev. William Heyner	64,000
Chambersburg	Oct. 18, 1842	Rev. E. V. Gerhart, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. P. W. Kramer, D.D.	Rev. William Heyner	64,340
Carlisle	Oct. 21, 1843	Rev. C. F. McCauley, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Theo. Appel, D.D.	Rev. Rudol. F. Kelker	64,977
Lancaster	Oct. 19, 1844	Rev. B. Bauman, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Wm. F. Colliflower	Rev. Rudol. F. Kelker	65,392
Lebanon	Oct. 18, 1845	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Geo. D. Russell, pro tem	Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D.	Rev. Rudol. F. Kelker	65,600
Philadelphia (spec.)	April 12, 1846					
York	Oct. 17, 1846	Rev. John S. Foulk	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Samuel H. Cedar, D.D.	Rev. Rudol. F. Kelker	67,635
Baltimore	Oct. 16, 1847	Rev. Sam N. Callender, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Jos. H. Dubbo, D.D.	Rev. Rudol. F. Kelker	68,580
Harrisburg (spec.)	Mar. 2, 1848	Rev. Wm. K. Zieher		Rev. Jos. H. Dubbo, D.D.		
Hagerstown	Oct. 21, 1848	Rev. Thomas O. Appel, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. George L. Staley	Henry Wirt	71,046
Danville	Oct. 20, 1849	Rev. John W. Nevins, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Daniel Gans, D.D.	Henry Wirt	71,184
Mechanicsburg	Oct. 19, 1850	Rev. Amos H. Kremer, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. A. S. Leinbach, D.D.	Henry Wirt	67,831
Lancaster (spec.)	July 12, 1851					
Pottstown	July 18, 1851	Rev. Jacob O. Miller, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. John Aulis	Henry Wirt	71,723
Martinsburg (spec.)	Oct. 18, 1852	Rev. Martin A. Smith		Rev. Jos. H. Dubbo, D.D.	Henry Wirt	73,818
Lancaster	Feb. 19, 1853					
Bloomersburg	Oct. 21, 1854	Rev. C. H. Leinbach, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Wm. H. H. Snyder	George W. Henkel	51,031
Bethlehem	Oct. 21, 1854	Rev. N. H. Strasburger	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. L. Kryder Evans	George W. Henkel	52,931
Lancaster	Nov. 2, 1855	Rev. Isaac E. Grueff	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. B. Bauman, D.D.	George W. Henkel	49,523
Reading	Nov. 1, 1856	Rev. John Beck, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. John O. Johnson	George W. Henkel	51,398
Allentown	Oct. 24, 1857	Rev. Geo. W. Aufhaugen	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. R. Leighton Gerhart	George W. Henkel	50,623
Easton	Oct. 23, 1858	Rev. J. H. A. Homberger, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Jno. J. Nisley	52,514
Lebanon	Sept. 13, 1859	Rev. Clem. J. Weiser, D.D.	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. John O. Johnson	Jno. J. Nisley	50,789
Myersville	Oct. 20, 1860	Rev. Aaron S. Leinbach	Rev. Samuel R. Fisher, D.D.	Rev. J. B. Vanderkoot	Jno. J. Nisley	55,772
Danville	Oct. 19, 1861	Rev. John W. Steinhilber	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. L. F. Zinkhan	Jno. J. Nisley	53,903
Belleville	Oct. 11, 1862	Rev. George H. Johnston	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. William C. Schaeffer	Jno. J. Nisley	55,231
Reading	Oct. 11, 1863	Rev. Thomas Porter, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. George S. Norber	John Melly	57,358
Pottstown	Oct. 8, 1864	Rev. Isaac K. Loos, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Thomas S. Land	John Melly	59,083
Mifflinburg	Oct. 14, 1865	Rev. John A. Peters, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Oliver H. Strunck	John Melly	59,197
West Philadelphia	Oct. 13, 1866	Rev. F. V. Gerhart, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Henry T. Spangler	John Melly	64,641
Gunbury	Oct. 19, 1867	Rev. David E. Klopp, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Rufus W. Miller	John Melly	65,505
Norristown	Oct. 10, 1868	Rev. A. B. Koplin, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. George W. Gerhardt	Jno. J. Nisley	65,918
Allentown	Oct. 10, 1869	Rev. John M. Pitzel, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Wilson F. Mora	Jno. J. Nisley	67,003
Reading	Oct. 18, 1870	Rev. Tullaghan O. Stem	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. George B. Reamer	Rev. John F. Moyer	66,944
Harrisburg	Oct. 21, 1871	Rev. Calvin S. Gerhardt, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Wilson F. Mora	Rev. John F. Moyer	68,974
Lancaster	Oct. 19, 1872	Rev. Sam. G. Wagner, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Miles G. Noll	Jno. J. Nisley	72,151
Lebanon	Oct. 18, 1873	Rev. Jos. H. Dubbo, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. J. B. Henry	Jno. J. Nisley	72,000
Harrisburg	Oct. 17, 1874	Rev. Frank H. Levan, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Robert O. Boyle	Jno. J. Nisley	74,000
Shamokin	Oct. 16, 1875	Rev. John H. Fannebecker	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Wm. H. Stubblebine	Jno. J. Nisley	77,193
Bethlehem	Oct. 17, 1876	Rev. Harry M. Kieffer, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. D. E. Schoedler	Isaiah Schaeffer	72,134
Milton	Oct. 16, 1877	Rev. Henry Mosser, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. Warren J. Johnson	Jno. J. Nisley	78,980
Reading	Oct. 20, 1878	Rev. Darius W. Gerhardt	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. J. Calvin Leinbach	Jno. J. Nisley	80,477
Lancaster	Oct. 19, 1879	Rev. B. B. Feyer	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein	Rev. B. A. Leinbach	Jno. J. Nisley	81,131
Gunbury	Oct. 17, 1880	Rev. Thos. J. Hacker	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. Wm. F. Lachler	Jno. J. Nisley	80,717
Philadelphia	Oct. 16, 1901	Rev. John S. Stabr, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. Robert M. Kern	Jno. J. Nisley	81,718
Wilkesbarre	Oct. 23, 1902	Rev. Thos. H. Leinbach	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. J. Rauch Stein	Samuel M. Glingrich	83,401
Lebanon	Oct. 28, 1903	Rev. Chas. E. Creits	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. F. A. Rupley	Samuel M. Glingrich	84,887
Reading (spec.)	June 14, 1904	Rev. Chas. E. Creits	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. F. A. Rupley	Samuel M. Glingrich	86,089
Reading (spec.)	Sept. 6, 1904	Rev. Chas. E. Creits	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. F. A. Rupley	Samuel M. Glingrich	86,087
Lebanon	Oct. 26, 1904	Rev. W. Dapple	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. C. D. Yost	Samuel M. Glingrich	86,087
Williamport	Oct. 24, 1905	Rev. Jas. Crawford, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. J. Rauch Stein	W. M. Leinbach	87,310
Wilmington	Oct. 24, 1906	Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D.	Rev. Jno. Ph. Stein, D.D.	Rev. J. K. Adams	W. M. Leinbach	90,633

STATISTICAL REPORTS.

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H. A. Frantz	Cherryville, Pa.	229	209	200	15	13	4	2	7	5	4	1	13	144	2294 00	91400 00	7		
I. M. Beaver	Hangor, Pa.	210	196	200	10	26	11	6	11	2	2	2	26	264	120 00	2700 00	8		
M. N. George	Siegfried, Pa. Pa.	244	220	180	7	18	15	26	12	4	1	1	1	312	202 00	2700 00	20		
O. H. E. Rauch	Stroudsburg, Pa.	244	220	175	9	15	15	26	12	1	5	1	48	690	231 00	921 00	7		
	Zion	180	200	60	4	8	4	2	9	1	1	1	23	286	86 00	1806 00	12		
H. H. Long	Mt. Bethel	200	275	230	25	34	4	5	12	4	3	3	53	625	240 00	2120 00	24		
	Christ																		
	Mt. Zion																		
H. J. Ehret	Altonah	106	123	45	11	12	12	5	4	4	1	1	9	45	106 00	417 00	6		
	Arndt's	140	112	30	4	10	5	2	2	3	1	1	23	72	120 00	402 00	6		
	Farmersville	200	180	60	14	18	13	5	2	1	4	4	23	104	120 00	517 00	7		
	St. Peter's	108	123	91	4	7	7	6	2	3	1	1	21	95	161 00	514 00	6		
	St. John's	195	126	108	13	7	2	2	7	5	1	1	8	42	219 00	622 00	6		
	Christ's	209	175	96	20	7	8	8	6	9	4	1	20	109	182 00	260 00	20		
F. A. Guth	St. Peter's	217	175	160	6	10	28	2	6	1	3	1	28	176	120 00	600 00	10		
	Christ's	182	108	80	9	20	3	4	4	3	2	2	22	90	82 00	111 00	6		
	Cherry Valley	10	9	26	3	3	3	1	5	1	1	1	7	45	66 00	300 00	24		
	Grace	125	109	64	9	5	2	1	12	3	1	1	12	45	32 00	185 00	...		
	St. Mark's	56	83	26	6	11	...	...	13	3	1	1	12	45	28 00	188 00	...
	St. Paul's	81	53	24	3	1	...	...	13	3	1	1	12	45	17 00	174 00	...
	Salem	44	26	19	1	...	...	...	12	2	...	...	10	50	6 00	95 00	...
	Faith Mission	20	25	13	3	5	...	...	3	3	1	1	23	231	237 00	1063 00	10
H. H. Rupp	200 Porter St., Easton, Pa.	241	199	94	5	2	4	10	7	3	1	1	18	244	170 00	1040 00	26		
P. E. Helmer	Wellsport, Pa.	241	140	160	24	23	12	4	10	9	3	1	18	244	96 00	1906 00	11		
J. E. Freeman	East Mauch Chunk, Pa.	246	128	96	14	18	19	4	4	5	1	1	31	309	353 00	3572 00	10		
R. F. Reed	Freemansburg, Pa.	209	140	148	9	1	6	1	4	5	2	1	23	275	445 00	2635 00	12		
A. P. Frantz, B. D.	Catawauqua, Pa.	400	306	225	31	24	12	6	11	4	1	1	40	575	2573 00	6135 00	25		
Paul S. Leinbach	Easton, Pa.	611	459	109	19	6	43	53	14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
A. G. Peters	Bethlehem, Pa.	83	60	61	6	1	19	...	4	...	...	...	21	140	52 00	1414 00	10
D. B. Kline	Tatamy, Pa.	306	190	...	15	...	...	...	...	5	1	1	...	...	81 00	427 00	24
	Towamensing	112	80	75	...	10	...	...	...	1	1	1	...	...	40 00	250 00	...
G. W. Royer	Big Creek	43	21	...	5	...	...	...	...	4	1	1	...	...	16 00	167 00	...
	Parryville	35	20	31	5	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	7 00	1826 00	...
	Bowman's	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Irwin H. DeLong, Llc.	Lancaster, Pa.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Chas. H. Lerch, Llc.	Easton, Pa.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wm. Yelley, Llc.	Nazareth, Pa.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
W. R. Memmert, Llc.	Bath, Pa.	50	37	11	2	11	...	3	6	3	1	1	4	19	28 00	162 00	4		
J. E. Smith, supply	Stone Church, Pa.	84	60	45	8	...	...	...	...	3	1	1	16	108	50 00	261 00	6
H. H. Long, supply	Siegfried, Pa.	65	37	50	6	6	9	1	...	1	1	1	19	100	12 00	472 00	6		
M. N. George, supply . . . . .	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
88	50	12254	9287	9539	719	14	570	508	178	237	227	190	174	1382	20096	6	98873 09	93000 00	478

MINISTERS. POST OFFICE ADDRESS. NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.

II. LEBANON CLASSIS W. D. Donat, Stated Clerk.

Thomas C. Leinbach. Bernville Charge ..	Womelsdorf, Pa.	250	203	150	23	13	10	2	6	3	1	25	125	1	572 00	2500 00	4
		430	402	500	17	2	15	4	4	2	1	15	30		72 00	500 00	30
		126	105	100	6										53 00	150 00	5
		410	396	500	6	2	19	20	15	25	5	4	70	300	125 00	2000 00	10
Elm E. Hiester Daniel B. Albright James A. Shultz ..	Strausstown, Pa. Mohrsville, Pa. .... .....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
	
Adam J. Bachman. Schaefferstown Ch.	Schaefferstown, Pa.	309	258	250	30	5	19	4	4	7	4	1	26	140	152 00	625 00	4
		225	190	100	14	6	9	6	6	6	6	1	24	203	207 00	500 00	5
		150	130	50	24	3	9	8	4	4	6	2	13	50	30 00	250 00	4
		190	100	75	26	14					3	2	14	64	36 00	1200 00	4
		80	22	25	3							1	11	60	2 00	175 00	2
		481	436	185	10	32	9	2	8	3	3	1	18	145	364 00	2100 00	20
Henry J. Welker Tulpehocken Charge ..	Myerstown, Pa.	176	161	60	8	11	5			3	1	15	128	83 00	360 00	...	
		288	265	76	21	21		12	6	1	1	32	176	188 00	1484 00	...	
		540	466	245	44	57		16	20	5	1	30	170	176 00	1191 00	...	
W. J. Kerschner Ginking Spring Ch.	115 S. 3d St., Reading, Pa.	80	69	12	7	2		3	1	2	1	13	55	30 00	130 00	...	
		75	65	27	6			8				1	36	104	55 00	265 00	24
		210	190	90	8		15	5	23	4	1	15	100	219 00	625 00	...	
L. D. Stambaugh Womelsdorf Charge ..	Rehlersburg, Pa.	145	120	60	13		2	3	15	9	4	1	6	50	75 00	350 00	4
		150	140	60	13		3	3	15	6	2	1	21	103	40 00	290 00	4
		46	44	25	3		1	1		1	1	6	30		100 00	100 00	4
Samuel A. Leinbach D. Ernest Klopp, D.D.	336 N. 8th St., Reading, Pa. Lebanon, Pa.	375	345	180	12	19	1	3		6	2	2	44	110	210 00	500 00	8
	
		219	201	70	10	2	25	11	20	6	2	1	6	57	59 00	400 00	8
		301	189	80	11		10	10	14	5	1	10	130	60 00	425 00	...	
J. V. George, D.D. Allegheny Charge ..	228 S. 3d St., Reading, Pa.	61	51	31	2	6		9	12	2	4	6	36	50 00	275 00	...	
		68	46	20	5	14		5	13	3	1	14	130	60 00	250 00	...	
		61	58	30	5	5		5	13	3	1	14	130	60 00	250 00	...	

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MINISTERS.

POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

NAMES OF CHARGES OR
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MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.	ADDITIONS.	LOSSES.	SUNDAY SCHOOLS.	CONTRIBUTIONS	Minutes Wanted.											
R. C. Zartman, D.D.	1815 Oxford St., Philadelphia.	Heidelberg	766	178	22	5	42	28	21	44	10	1	67	1	630	30500	20000	\$7005 00	15
B. L. Mesinger, S T D.	Trappe, Pa.	St. Luke's, Trappe.	338	49	3	10	13	12	2	10	4	1	24	1	158	3	1100	1906 00	16
Edwin C. Hibshman	2156 N. 21st St., Philadelphia	Bethany Tabernacle	302	180	17	6	11	22	1	14	2	1	26	1	304	211	20	4700 00	14
Wilson Delaney	135 W. 13th St., N. Y. City	Without charge																	
Geo. H. Miller	Pottstown, Pa., R. F. D. 1	Sbenkel's	130	39	1	2	7					1	21	2	118		92	1208 00	9
Chas. A. Santee	Ft. Washington, Pa.	St. Paul's, Whittemarsh.	225	185	5	1	1	1	1			2	20	1	102		535	2153 00	10
Chas. B. Alsopach	2133 S. 13th St., Philadelphia	Messiah	276	125	22	1	17	12	6	25		1	40	1	487		161	4311 00	8
Abner S. Dechant	8512 Elwood Av., Oak Lane	Oak Lane	70	67	4		2	12	1			1	23	1	185		280	13216 00	13
A. H. Hibshman, Ph D.	6504 Wyalusing Av., Phila.	Palatinate	278	103	12	6	10	60	20	14		1	30	1	420		364	2748 00	18
Albert S. Bromer	11th & Huntingdon Sts., Phil	Grace	677	387	29	13	30	28	14			1	57	1	683		1628	4427 00	15
Frank H. Fisher	2617 N. 29th St., Philadel'a	Calvary	210	180	10	8	7	41	5	3		1	46	1	408		204	3742 00	10
Chas. H. Ellingboff	Spring City, R. F. D. 1	Brownback's	267	211	49	1	8	3	1	8		1	24	1	206		291	609 00	13
Edwin F. Wiest	1206 Wallace St., Philadel'a	St. Peter's	65	50	19	6	5	5	1	26		1	12	1	60		49	272 00	4
Wm. J. Hinke	4210 Market St., Philadel'a	First Church, Philadelphia	440	354	12	6	23	27	17			1	36	1	331		604	4745 00	8
Elwood H. Middleton	3846 N. Sydenham St., Phila.	Prof. Ursinus School Theol.	192	140	4	1	10	6	4			1	37	1	268		190	2530 00	14
Calvin D. Yost	391 1st Av., Phoenixville, Pa.	Tioga	210	168	1		7	7	3			1	22	1	192		229	2619 00	12
Emmet C. Sult	Anselma, Pa.	St. John's, Phoenixville	119	96	16	2	15					1	22	1	79		54	638 00	9
Harry W. Bright	Norristown, Pa.	St. Matthew's	115	86	13	12	18	2	3			1	16	1	100		92	580 00	9
Benoni Bates	1009 W. Marshall St., Norrist'n	Ascension	345	267	63	10	8	10	8	9		1	28	1	278		821	3428 00	15
J. M. S. Isenberg, B. D.	1541 N. 7th St., Philadelphia	Christ Church, Norristown	238	200	79	11	16	16	6			1	32	1	283		497	2944 00	20
Amos O. Reiter	North Wales, Pa.	Trinity, Philadelphia	544	440	8	4	36	37	13	26		1	74	1	576		3006	5345 00	18
Maurice Samson	Spring City, Pa.	St. Luke's, North Wales	204	174	74	1	6	5	10			1	26	1	320		329	2008 00	13
Thos. S. Bickel	733 N. 41st St., Philadelphia	First Church, Spring City	457	281	110	17	22	3	44	49		1	43	1	600		1112	8351 00	12
Arthur C. Thompson	Norristown, Pa.	St. John's, Philadelphia	300	208	91	11	15	32	6			1	24	1	399		300	6793 00	13
Edgar V. Loucks	Blue Bell, Pa.	Trinity, Norristown	404	307	122	24	26	24	3	15		1	41	1	641		652	2643 00	13
Ladislaua Bereczky	Main St., Phoenixville, Pa.	Boehm's	227	244	49	1	2	2	5			1	16	1	128		242	1294 00	14
Rauben E. Snyder	Spring City, R. F. D. 3	Hungarian, Phoenixville	220	190	1	14	27					1	10	1	194		225	1800 00	10
Vernon E. Rice	Linfield, Pa.	East Vincent	134	70	20	1	1	9	1			1	20	1	117		70	694 00	13
Vacant*		Linfield	157	108	47	1	6	8	3			1	18	1	121		46	200 00	12
Vacant†		St. Andrew's	104	62	23	4	13	3		4		1	16	1	140		104	1015 00	10
Vacant		Pleasantville	78	66	3	2	2	3		7		1	20	1	140		263	1289 00	9
J. Frank Dechant	6608 N. 6th St., Oak Lane	St. John's, Delaware	291	231	70	4	2	3				1	30	1	140		263	1289 00	9
		Licentiate	54	49															
			9145 7433	185	262	184	425	473	187	261	100	36	38	900	2757	7126304	60	50000	20

IV. LANCASTER CLASSES

D. W. Gerhard, Stated Clerk.

Theodore Appel, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	150	124	30	5	2	6	8	4	1	1	20	40	406 01	2542 00	9
Isaac E. Graef, D.D.	Reading, Pa.	153	91	40	9	2	8	8	2	1	1	12	54	126 23	295 00	5
J. H. Dubbs, D.D., LL.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	63	43	20	7	8	10	3	3	1	1	27	100	223 70	125 00	6
Fred'k A. Gast, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	305	278	100	13	8	37	2	6	8	4	12	225	906 00	1082 00	5
John G. Noss	New Holland, Pa.	305	300	100	13	8	37	2	6	8	4	12	225	906 00	1082 00	5
D. W. Gerhard, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	305	300	100	13	8	37	2	6	8	4	12	225	906 00	1082 00	5
Stephen Schweizer	Ephrata, Pa.	110	95	26	2	15	2	15	2	1	1	8	40	20 00	290 00	3
Muddy Creek Ch.		55	40	15	3	1	6	2	1	1	1	8	40	7 66	195 00	2
Tilghman Derr	Lancaster, Pa.	160	128	50	10	4	7	2	1	1	1	15	75	165 00	750 00	9
Ellis N. Kremer, D.D.	Harrisburg, Pa.	453	354	153	17	4	27	10	6	4	9	35	322	1005 20	3452 00	20
J. B. Stahl, D.D., LL.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	56	56	17	3							6	30	228 68	1161 91	5
W. H. Hoch	Steelton, Pa.	205	240		12	7	20	7	16	7	6	1	26	318 00	1500 00	14
J. H. Pannebecker, D.D.	Columbia, Pa.	303	291	206	35	4	13	6	5	9	5	42	408	244 40	1406 40	12
James G. Dengler	Maytown, Pa.	176	145	32	1	4	10	8	5	5	4	18	157	168 50	1130 51	9
W. P. Moore, D.D.	Tokio, Japan															
Geo. A. Whitmore	Millersville, Pa.															
Newton J. Miller	Lancaster, Pa.															
David B. Schneider, D.D.	Reading, Pa.															
Jalrus A. Wickett	Denver, Pa.															
Reamstown Charge																
Theodore G. DeLyre	Berlin, Germany, 35 W.															
Jas. W. Meininger, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	51	50	25	1	1	1	1	2	2	3	12	36	55 00	150 00	5
Geo. T. Mull	Lancaster, Pa.	85	71	30	3		4	2	2	3	3	15	100	108 00	225 00	4
R. C. Schledt, Ph.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	129	124	75	4	2	13		1	1	2	15	65	183 00	359 00	6
Sam'l H. Dietzel, Ph.D.	Maytown, Pa.	118	108	70								22	105	180 00	517 00	5
Benjamin M. Meyer	Ellsabethtown, Pa.															
Harry Nelson Baseler	Harrisburg, Pa.															
William Yenser	Marletta, Pa.															
Howard H. Spahn	Ephrata, Pa.															
Bethany Charge																
Christopher Noss	Lancaster, Pa.	143	136	91	6	2	4	3	3	7	1	17	143	189 70	940 00	10
J. Rauch Stein	Harrisburg, Pa.	309	295	60	3	10	14	7	3	1	6	1	30	318 26	1724 00	12
Daniel G. Glass	Lancaster, Pa.	370	331	130	15	2	2	26	6			24	230	300 00	1200 00	20
Hunter Watts	Lancaster, Pa.	301	290	90	11	3	4	2	3	2	3	13	116	7 10	1300 00	2
J. O. Bartholomew	Manheim, Pa.	163	127	54	5	19	20	30	1	1	2	21	218	57 51	1915 00	8
Alb. O. Bartholomew	Manheim, Pa.	166	98	32	5	4	5			5	5	19	155	17 50	340 00	
Manheim Charge		42	42	9			2							3 62	170 00	
Edwin W. Lents	Steelton, Pa.	204	178	103	31	9	15	23	9	7	2	35	260	273 00	2610 00	12
		328	180	150	45	16	24	19	6	10	3	35	304	140 12	1298 95	12
		248	170	58	7	7	19	6	10	5	1	30	263	200 17	2100 52	10
		220	175	60	1	4	6	12	8	6	1	21	149	616 00	4500 52	9
		88	84	26				2	2	2	2	19	72	35 10	482 28	8
		152	127	60	17	7	17	24	9			27	183	178 00	2000 00	13

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MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.				ADDITIONS.				LOSERS.				SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.				CONTRIBUTIONS.		Minutes Wanted.
			Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Rescued of Natives.	Deaths, Uncom.	Deaths, Uncom.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	
Hermann S. Shelby	Willow Street, Pa.	Willow Street	111	90	24	3	6	5	5	3	2	2	1	1	24	128	1	1	\$258 63	\$909 27	6
Allen K. Faust	Sandal, Japan.	Conestoga Centre	26	32	9	3	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	10	56	5	5	53 80	201 85	5
J. P. Dieffenderfer	Hummelstown, Pa.	Missionary to Japan	192	141	115	5	3	6	8	6	1	1	1	1	20	180	180	180	611 00	2000 00	20
Henry R. Kreider	Mt. Alto, Pa.	Hummelstown	52	45	18	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	7	40	40	40	45 27	164 00	20
W. Stuart Cramer	Lancaster, Pa.	Union Deposit	473	420	200	5	15	40	24	16	14	14	14	14	32	255	255	255	1711 00	11784 00	16
George W. Spotts	Fisherville, Pa.	Without charge	68	38	18	11	2	5	7	2	2	2	2	2	9	40	40	40	180 80	...	6
Armstrong Val. Ch.		St. Peter's, Fisherville	28	26	10	6	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	10	55	55	55	...	...	6
George B. Raezer	Penbrook, Pa.	St. Jacob's, Centre View	61	60	23	2	1	6	6	2	1	1	1	1	12	70	70	70	57 80	168 60	6
Shoop's Charge		St. Paul's, Enterline	71	61	18	3	2	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	25	155	155	155	76 21	1531 00	6
John W. Ault	New Providence, Pa.	St. James, Carsonville	38	36	24	2	1	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	15	77	77	77	80 60	300 00	5
Amos V. Hiesler	Lancaster, Pa.	Messiah, Fisherville	170	125	86	3	11	14	5	4	4	4	4	4	15	110	110	110	...	1280 40	7
Charles E. Roth	Lancaster, Pa.	Star of Bethlehem, Enders	66	61	9	2	13	13	6	6	2	2	2	2	15	95	95	95	40 82	2857 00	...
Trin-St. James Ch	Quarryville, Pa.	St. Andrew's, Penbrook	23	16	16	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	17	162	162	162	162 65	920 45	5
Committee of Supply	Harrisburg, Pa.	Shoop's	180	120	95	3	6	19	6	2	2	2	2	2	23	209	209	209	352 38	1501 54	12
Wm. C. Rittenhouse	Harrisburg, Pa.	Wenrich's, Langloestown	223	198	109	6	3	9	41	9	9	9	9	9	14	50	50	50	78 77	425 00	7
Committee of Supply	Harrisburg, Pa.	Zion's	55	48	26	9	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	40 00	150 00	5
Committee of Supply	Harrisburg, Pa.	Zion's	64	50	20	4	4	14	6	3	3	3	3	3	21	160	160	160	...	...	...
John B. Kieffer, Ph.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof in F. and M. College	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Shaddeus O. Helmt	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof in F. and M. Academy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Charles W. B. Longt	Dallas, Texas	Railway Mail Agent	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Paul L. Gerhardt	Sandal, Japan	Missionary to Japan	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
†Licentiate.	45	53	3878	6606	3127	343	533	306	181	61	56	101	65	43	956	7407	12	12424	5679309	60	383

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Pillow, Pa.		Salem		110	105	64	7	16	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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			Communicants.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Recommunicated.	Estrange of Names.	Deaths, Commun.	Deaths, Uncomm.	No. of Schools.		No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Benevolent Purpose.	Congregational Purpose.
VI. WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS. James M. Runkle, Stated Clerk.																				
D. W. Wolfe, D.D.	Spring, Mills, Pa.	Princ. S. M. Academy	126	104	32	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	12	80	1	\$120 00	\$275 90	4
W. W. Clouser	White Deer, Pa.	Retired	51	30	20	4	1	2	2	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	23 00	130 00	4
A. A. Black	Boalsburg, Pa.	St. Peter's	55	45	20	1	1	5	2	1	1	2	4	1	14	100	1	24 00	265 00	4
Boalsburg Charge		Nazareth	188	190	115	6	1	1	3	11	3	3	1	1	21	315	1	175 00	450 00	8
James M. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	Bethel	300	269	100	3	1	14	9	18	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	507 00	2518 00	12
George W. Kerschner	374 Man. Ave., N. Y. City	St. John's	155	137	48	5	1	4	4	4	4	1	2	1	16	88	1	262 00	384 00	4
Harvey I. Crow	Hubertsburg, Pa.	Trinity	64	56	40	5	1	1	4	11	1	1	1	1	17	60	1	93 00	183 00	4
Hubertsville Charge		Mt. Bethel	80	78	50	4	1	2	10	6	1	1	1	1	14	38	1	100 00	161 00	4
W. E. Hoy, D.D.	Yochow, Hunan, China	Salona	121	117	53	4	1	6	1	7	1	1	1	1	13	80	1	107 00	252 00	6
Frank Wetzel	Rebersburg, Pa.	Emanuel	46	40	28	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	30	1	58 00	96 00	4
Rebersburg Charge		Eden	140	128	69	5	1	12	4	6	1	1	1	1	16	120	1	193 00	320 00	6
K. Otis Spessard	Michlinburg, Pa.	St. Peter's	91	87	50	1	1	4	9	1	1	1	1	1	12	75	1	115 00	271 00	4
R. L. Gerhart, D.D.	Lewisburg, Pa.	Christ	53	40	28	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	9	45	1	40 00	84 00	4
Ambrose M. Schmidt	Bellefonte, Pa.	Grace	93	89	60	3	1	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	16	60	1	66 00	136 00	6
Bellefonte Charge		St. John's	80	59	51	7	1	3	11	12	1	1	1	1	19	75	1	66 00	136 00	6
J. W. Albertain	Laurelton, Pa.	Emanuel	244	219	105	11	1	8	8	12	1	1	7	1	23	215	1	783 00	1906 00	12
Buffalo Val. Charge		St. John's	277	226	102	8	1	9	20	4	4	1	4	1	21	185	1	289 00	2784 00	12
Edwin T. Rhodes	Lewistown, Pa.	St. John's	261	144	115	7	1	8	4	6	1	1	4	1	19	148	1	514 00	1283 00	16
Daniel Gross	Center Hall, Pa.	St. John's	90	81	57	1	1	6	3	3	1	1	1	1	10	120	1	126 00	289 00	12
Centre Hall Charge		Zion	69	51	30	5	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	70	1	57 00	273 00	12
Edwin T. Rhodes	Lewistown, Pa.	Laurelton	54	40	29	3	1	4	1	1	1	1	2	1	12	30	1	45 00	151 00	12
Daniel Gross	Center Hall, Pa.	Reys	22	22	9	1	1	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	12	30	1	40 00	176 00	12
Centre Hall Charge		Vicksburg	226	200	100	10	4	20	33	1	1	1	5	1	28	285	1	99 00	1165 00	12
Edwin T. Rhodes	Lewistown, Pa.	Trinity	145	126	60	5	1	9	9	8	1	1	3	1	13	107	1	246 00	600 00	12
Daniel Gross	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	55	36	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	47	1	213 00	395 00	12
Centre Hall Charge		Emanuel	54	50	18	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	20	1	55 00	145 00	12
Edwin T. Rhodes	Lewistown, Pa.	St. John's	34	31	26	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	73	1	73 00	155 00	12
Daniel Gross	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	160	123	70	14	1	4	4	6	1	1	1	1	20	117	1	123 00	286 00	12
Centre Hall Charge		Emanuel	155	125	45	4	1	4	2	6	1	1	1	1	11	86	1	105 00	213 00	12
Edwin T. Rhodes	Lewistown, Pa.	Dreibach	70	55	28	3	1	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	11	64	1	79 00	200 00	12
Daniel Gross	Center Hall, Pa.	Middleburg	38	30	24	1	1	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	6	23	1	26 00	91 00	12
Centre Hall Charge		Centerville	155	125	45	4	1	4	2	6	1	1	1	1	11	86	1	105 00	213 00	12
Edwin T. Rhodes	Lewistown, Pa.	St. Paul's	28	20	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	15	1	28 00	57 00	12

Geo. S. Butts Paxinos-Augusta	Paxinos, Pa.	St. Peter's Emanuel Jacob's St. John's St. Elias Zion's St. John's, Leck Kill St. Jacob's, Line Mount Salem's, Rough and Ready St. Michael's, Klingerstown St. Peter's, West Cameron St. Paul's, Gowen City Christ, Helfenstein	30 30 23 33 35 27 30 70 150 45 45 135 25	76 72 24 34 33 22 72 59 123 42 30 117 18	40 40 12 10 10 8 45 40 95 25 45 100 25	3 0 1 1 3 1 9 9 12 9 5 20 8	0 0 1 1 5 8 7 9 1 1 1 3 1	2 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 4 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 0 1 1 1 1 1	7 13 3 0 0 0 50 450 0 0 0 0 0	87 93 25 04 01 10 22 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	69 71 25 24 25 24 49 09 49 23 19 02 11	41 35 11 04 01 10 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00	374 258 228 93 95 75 155 163 230 104 101 1673 50
Clement D. Kressley Line Mountain Ch...	Leck Kill, Pa.	St. Peter's Emanuel Jacob's St. John's St. Elias Zion's St. John's, Leck Kill St. Jacob's, Line Mount Salem's, Rough and Ready St. Michael's, Klingerstown St. Peter's, West Cameron St. Paul's, Gowen City Christ, Helfenstein	270 431 265 47 255 166 143 119 124 53 60 75 160	943 305 184 26 204 145 111 114 108 53 55 75 135	164 326 100 16 152 65 90 40 66 16 20 40 135	27 14 11 1 17 3 7 2 5 3 2 13 1	22 12 17 1 1 7 2 1 3 4 13 5	13 17 1 3 6 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	27 32 130 4 14 16 19 10 15 4 7 7	263 300 150 20 204 175 100 80 100 50 20 40	120 1515 143 20 210 151 261 233 230 58 28 354	00 12 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 00 42	1457 2463 500 55 709 612 902 245 300 105 85 120
Montgomery M. Fryer Albert Gonser Robert O. Boyle J. Alvin Reber St. David's Charge Irwin M. Bachman Nunidia Charge Alfred M. Schaffner	Ardel, Wayne Co., Pa. Mt. Carmel, Pa. Sunbury, Pa. Millersburg, Pa., R. F. D. Newlin, Pa. Catswissa, Pa.	Grace Sunbury David's Zion's St. Paul's Grace St. John's St. Peter's Himmel's St. Paul's David's Zion's Salem's, Elizabethville Berrysburg Hoffman's Simeon's, Gratz Hope St. James Christ Trinity Christ Frieden's Sacramento Coleman's Klinger's Kimmel's Ass't to Rev. C. B. Schneider Emanuel's St. Matthew's Salem St. Paul Emanuel St. Peter's St. John's	270 431 265 47 255 166 143 119 124 53 60 75 160 77 170 240 60 35 125 417 35 35 15 204 100 66 51	943 305 184 26 204 145 111 114 108 53 55 75 135 80 130 198 60 30 65 324 80 20 15 160 76 71 20	164 326 100 16 152 65 90 40 66 16 20 40 135 26 306 198 100 20 65 2 100 10 1 18 83 55 35	27 14 11 1 17 3 7 2 5 3 2 13 1 1 12 20 1 3 1 13 7 31 4	13 17 1 3 6 4 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 2 8 1 2 1 1 21 6	1 1	27 32 130 4 14 16 19 10 15 4 7 7 400 1					

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VI. WEST SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS. James M. Runkle, Stated Clerk.																			
D. W. Wolfe, D.D.	Spring, Mills, Pa.	Princ. S. M. Academy	126	104	32	10	1	1	1	1	4	3	1	12	99	\$129 00	\$275 00	4	
W. W. Clouser	White Deer, Pa.	Retired	51	30	20	4	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	12	99	23 00	130 00	4	
A. A. Black	Boalsburg, Pa.	St. Peter's	55	45	29	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	1	14	100	24 00	265 00	4	
A. Boalsburg Charge	Boalsburg, Pa.	Nazareth	188	180	114	6	1	1	2	11	1	3	1	1	100	175 00	450 00	8	
James M. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	Bethel	303	269	100	3	1	14	9	18	1	3	1	1	215	597 00	2516 00	12	
George W. Kerschner	374 Man. Ave., N. Y. City	St. John's	155	137	63	5	1	4	4	4	4	2	1	1	88	262 00	384 00	4	
Harvey I. Crow	Hublersburg, Pa.	Trinity	94	56	40	5	1	1	4	11	1	2	1	1	60	93 00	193 00	4	
Hublersville Charge	Hublersburg, Pa.	Mt. Bethel	86	78	30	4	2	2	10	5	1	1	1	1	38	100 00	161 00	4	
W. E. Hoy, D.D.	Yochow, Hunan, China.	Selons	121	117	52	4	4	5	1	7	1	1	1	1	30	107 00	292 00	6	
Frank Wetzel.	Rebersburg, Pa.	Emanuel	40	23	23	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	11	58 00	95 00	4	
Rebersburg Charge	Rebersburg, Pa.	Eden	140	128	60	5	1	13	4	6	1	1	1	1	136	190 00	239 00	6	
Ottis Spessard	Mifflinburg, Pa.	St. Peter's	51	37	20	1	1	4	9	1	1	1	1	1	78	115 00	271 00	4	
K. L. Gerhart, D.D.	Lewisburg, Pa.	Christ	52	40	23	4	2	4	2	1	1	1	1	1	43	60 00	94 00	4	
E. Brown M. Schmidt	Bellefonte, Pa.	Grace	69	50	26	3	1	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	68	65 00	139 00	6	
Bellefonte Charge	Bellefonte, Pa.	St. John's	344	319	96	7	1	11	8	12	1	1	1	1	75	63 00	30 00	4	
W. Alberson	Laurelton, Pa.	Emanuel	277	236	63	13	1	9	3	4	1	1	1	1	23	215	783 00	1906 00	13
J. Buffalo Val. Charge	Laurelton, Pa.	St. John's	201	154	113	7	1	3	29	4	1	1	1	1	183	239 00	2704 00	12	
Edwin T. Rhodes	Lewisstown, Pa.	St. John's	96	81	27	1	1	3	3	3	1	1	1	1	145	514 00	1562 00	16	
Daniel Gross	Center Hall, Pa.	Zion	69	51	30	2	2	6	3	3	1	1	1	1	120	126 00	250 00	...	
Center Hall Charge	Center Hall, Pa.	Laurelton	23	23	9	2	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	70	67 00	373 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Rays	56	49	26	3	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	45 00	161 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Victaburg	225	205	126	4	1	23	9	1	1	1	1	1	30	40 00	176 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	145	126	30	5	3	4	9	7	1	1	1	1	235	90 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	8	1	1	1	1	107	60 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	103	123	74	14	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	47	90 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	St. John's	54	49	15	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	165	123	74	14	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	72	212 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	10	1	1	1	1	47	58 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	145	126	20	3	4	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	72 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	103	123	74	14	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	1	47	212 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	145	126	20	3	4	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	72 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	103	123	74	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	212 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	145	126	20	3	4	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
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St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	145	126	20	3	4	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	72 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	103	123	74	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	212 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	145	126	20	3	4	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	72 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	103	123	74	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	212 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	145	126	20	3	4	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	72 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	103	123	74	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	47	212 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Grace	145	126	20	3	4	4	1	3	1	1	1	1	20	246 00	400 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Trinity	73	66	25	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	14	72 00	1165 00	...	
St. John's	Center Hall, Pa.	Emanuel	103	123	74	14	1	1	1	1</									

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Geo. W. Richards, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Prof. in Theological Seminary	425	156	14	19	10	1	3	6	3	1	21	143	1	367 00	1126 00	
W. W. Dairick, Sc. D.	Kutztown, Pa.	Prof. in Keystone S. N. S.	72	68	3						1	1	12	110		90 00	310 00	
J. W. Knappenberger	New Haven, Conn.	Without charge	304	236	150	6				61	4	2	14	140		204 00	700 00	
George B. Smith	Kutztown, Pa.	St. Paul's, Kutztown	259	170	100	6					4	1	9	100		97 00	426 00	30
Maxatawny Charge		DeLong's, Bowers	275	221	126	24		33		5 0	9	3	2			86 00	245 00	10
		Zion's, Maxatawny	236	217	9	11		17			7	9			1	87 00	175 00	12
Thomas N. Reber	Stittler, Pa.	Ben Balam's	120	90	65	5		12								26 00	95 00	18
Mahoning Charge		St. Peter's	125	84	36	7										26 00	65 00	10
		St. John's	86	66	36	4										24 00	35 00	10
		Pennsylvania	316	279	140	12		9			4	3	20	267	2	204 00	1073 00	13
R. H. Leinbach	Kutztown, Pa.	St. John's, Kutztown	120	86	53	6										29 00	93 00	12
Kutztown Charge		St. Peter's	151	85	57	4		6								108 00	571 00	12
D. E. Schoedler, D.D.	Allentown, Pa.	Grace, South Allentown	850	683	450	48		43		37	7	6	64	1107		1771 00	6512 00	20
David A. Winter	Lehighon, Pa.	Zion's, Lehighon	200	267	173	20		11			3	1	24	200	1			
E. J. Laros	Lansford, Pa.	Emanuel																
A. R. Bartholomew, D.D.	Philadelphia, Pa.	Sec'y Board Foreign Missions	436	300	126	30		64		6						170 00	560 00	7
John P. Bachman	Allentown, Pa.	St. John's, Emmaus	222	175	79	7		1								126 00	330 00	6
Salisbury Charge		New Jerusalem	276	200	100	21		18								130 00	360 00	7
Robert M. Kern	Allentown, Pa.	St. Mark's, South Allentown	604	675	450	25		46								341 00	5365 00	20
George P. Stem	Allentown, Pa.	St. Andrew's	702	596	390	24		57		10						436 00	2350 00	20
Egypt Charge		Egypt	101	81	70	7		4								120 00	190 00	
		St. John's	123	92	114	6		8								130 00	325 00	
		St. Paul's	319	276	259	16												
J. S. Bartholomew	Virginville, Pa.	Zion's	183	175	125	8												
Lebanonville Ch.		New Jerusalem, Dunkel's	85	75	40	5												
		Frieden's, Weanerville	66	56	30	2												
		St. Paul's	460	380	168	18		61								290 00	1300 00	24
		Trinity	744	554	400	48		63		8								
Scott R. Wagner	Allentown, Pa.	Christ	304	314	280	26		19								348 00	5242 00	18
H. L. Fogleman	Allentown, Pa.	St. John's, Mickle's	262	210	220	30		18								266 00	5200 00	18
Thomas H. Krick	Coplay, Pa.	Trinity, Coplay	107	146	78	9		13								304 00	700 00	
Coplay Charge		St. John's, Fullertown	143	125	60	10		15								247 00	840 00	
Richard A. Appel	Hamburg, Pa.	Ortmanville	108	96	40	8		7								144 00	260 00	20
Ortmanville Charge		Becker's, St. Peter's														47 00	267 00	10
		Lebanonville														30 00	100 00	10

August Picnicor	Statington, Pa.	Frieden's	317	200	9	13	21	3	2	9	1	15	50	140 00	628 00	7
Frieden's Charge		Trinity, Statedale	165	130	10	13	21	3		4	7	15	120	45 00	641 00	6
F. H. Ruloff	Allentown, Pa.	Without charge														
Frederick C. Selts	Allentown, Pa.	St. John's	644	408	5	22	16	8	41	5	1	33	412	243 00	6717 00	20
H. M. J. Klein	Allentown, Pa.	Zion's, Allentown	1006	796	24	58	37	9	30	24	6	40	602	1 1642 00	6925 00	20
Charles F. Freeman	Summit Hill, Pa.	St. Paul's	163	138	10	9	8			1	1	20	185	81 00	2787 00	10
Wm. G. Seiple, Ph.D.	Sendai, Japan	Missionary to Japan														
Philip H. Fogel, Ph.D.	Princeton, N. J.	Assistant to Dr. Fogel														
Thomas S. Land, Ph.D.	Allentown, Pa.	President College for Women														
Frank P. Larus	Alburtis, Pa.	St. John's, Fogelsville	97	87	75	2				1	1	15	77	29 00	275 00	6
Zion's Charge		St. Paul's	39	54	60					1	1	25	75	15 00	150 00	6
		Weisenburg	82	70	55					1	1	5	40	34 00	260 00	6
		Lehigh	190	180	80	4	1	7		3	2	30	117	30 00	100 00	8
		St. Jacob's	326	180	191	6	15			9	1	45	100	105 00	260 00	20
Jesse M. Mengel	Jacksonville, Pa.	New Bethel	160	103	100	4						16	90	75 00	200 00	8
Jacksonville Charge		St. Peter's, Lynnville	65	61	50	3			10	1	1	15	40	69 00	150 00	16
		Low Hill	130	93	76	1				1	1	16	90	68 00	150 00	12
D. E. Schoedler, supply	Allentown, Pa.	Christ, Packerton, Pa.	66	43	52	6			8			13	119	41 00	425 00	12
J. S. Bartholomew, sup.	Virginsville, Pa.	New Jerusalem, Red Church	50	48	26	1						10	30	20 00	100 00	6
Morris E. Schadt	Schadt's, Lehigh County, Pa.	Licentiate														
A. S. Rothermel	Kutztown, Pa.	Licentiate														
Wm. M. Diefenderfer	Orefield, Lehigh County, Pa.	Licentiate														

* Dismissed to Tobickon Classis, June 30, 1906.

Received, September 25, 1906. Lic. Geo. M. Smith, from German Philadelphia Classis, and Rev. S. E. Niekirk, from Tuscarawas Classis, Synod of Ohio.

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W. D. Stoyer, Stated Clerk.

Henry Lelase	Orwigaburg	Without charge	305	225	165	39	12	12	5	4	7	2	1	28	240	253 00	1160 00	6
John J. Flaher	Tamaqua	Trinity																
Willoughby Donat	Schuykill Haven	Without charge	449	370	155	12	27	15	6	13	5	5	1	37	350	675 00	2681 00	13
Oliver H. Strunck	Schuykill Haven	St. John's	292	185	175	27	6	7	1		7	2	1	40	333	287 00	1822 00	8
C. E. Bartholomew	Cressona	St. Mark's	140	120	102	23	19	5	2	9	2	2	1	24	212	132 00	900 00	12
Thos. J. Bower	Frackville		288	230	175	27	9	1	3		5	2	1	31	230	412 00	2376 00	9
Geo. W. Hartman	Orwigaburg	St. John's, Orwigaburg	57	80	35	7			1					8	70	110 00	764 00	3
Zwingli A. Yearick	Shenandoah	Christ's, McKeanburg	394	222	161	22	1	23	4	19	4	2	3	29	226	296 00	2835 00	20
Sam'l L. Whitmore, D.D	Pottsville	Trinity	595	385	300	25	1	22	20	10		5	1	35	441	800 00	5333 00	18
Albert Lobach	Tamaqua	St. John's, Tamaqua	325	183	241	27	15	15	1		4	10	5	27	290	219 00	1600 00	10
		Zion's, Tamaqua	80	69	31	4								10	60	53 00	153 00	4
J. G. Kerechner	Mahanoy City	St. Paul's	677	449	308	48	4	37	16	6	206	11	11	39	453	628 00	7766 00	12
		Friedens	131	50	68	9		5	2	4				1	18	79 00	311 00	6
Titus C. Strook	Tremont	St. Peter's, Tremont	218	120	128	18		5	6	2				24	147	132 00	493 00	10
		Salem, Donaldson	73	64	74	11	1	10						17	71	49 00	186 00	5
		St. John's, Newtown	71	49	31	4	1	12	11					7	35	45 00	167 00	6

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W. T. Buchanan	Minersville	Emanuel's	156	116	120	12	1	6	2	3	2	4	1	22	150	..	75 00	975 00	10	
B. Eldney Kohler	Pine Grove	St. Peter's, Pine Grove	93	85	50	24	..	13	5	1	..	5	7	1	11	150	..	44 00	745 00	4
A. F. Dreisbach, Ph.D.	Pottsville	Salem's, Hetzels	150	130	120	24	..	22	5	..	8	1	1	21	130	..	52 00	470 00	4	
Wm. D. Stoyer	Schuylkill Haven	St. Paul's, Cherryville	20	15	20	9	1	1	3	..	3	3	1	10	80	..	7 00	213 00	2	
		First Reformed	335	180	230	20	..	20	30	8	..	23	4	1	26	310	..	56 00	1590 00	13
		First Reformed	407	222	226	26	3	26	50	6	5	10	7	1	28	252	1	274 00	7203 00	15
		St. Paul's	235	157	..	5	..	16	..	4	9	7	..	..	..	..	182 00	355 00	6	
Samuel E. Moyer	Friedensburg	St. John's	155	130	..	4	..	..	8	4	..	1	..	1	7	50	..	193 00	355 00	4
		St. Mark's	59	49	..	1	..	..	1	..	2	1	..	1	10	75	..	94 00	191 00	4
		Zion's, West Brunswick	148	73	90	2	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	11	160	..	49 00	..	6
		St. John's, Auburn	93	43	53	3	..	..	..	3	..	..	..	1	5	80	..	47 00	..	9
		St. John's, Pt. Clinton	35	35	25	2	..	..	..	..	3	3	1	16	65	..	35 00	171 00	4	
		Faith, Landingville	31	26	19	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	16	85	..	6 00	248 00	5
		Christ's	170	100	90	22	..	12	1	..	6	3	..	1	16	..	..	130 00	200 00	6
John J. Fisher, supply.	Tamaqua	St. Peter's	33	22	25	1	..	..	..	5	..	1	..	1	7	65	1	15 00	90 00	4
		Zion's	40	31	28	5	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	7	..	..	53 00	100 00	4
A.F. Dreisbach, Ph.D., s.	Pottsville	St. John's, St. Clair	130	88	98	10	1	3	6	..	..	4	6	1	15	144	..	40 00	1111 00	6
Geo. W. Hartman, sup.	Orwigsburg	Frieden's, New Ringgold	155	100	96	8	..	..	1	3	..	3	..	1	8	34	..	118 00	203 00	4
Vacant		St. Luke's, New Castle	25	15	15	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1	8	27	..	5 00	135 00	2
Dr. H. A. Keyser	Mahanoy City	Grace	230	250	150	10	..	23	88	..	..	6	1	1	23	175	..	110 00	2000 00	5
18		35	9946	4705	3800	407	13	354	307	111	1364	144	82	32	517	5157	4	35564 00	44458 00	267

* Lic. J Arthur Schaeffer received from West Susquehanna Classis and ordained and installed pastor of Auburn Charge, May 27, 1906.

XL WYOMING CLASSIS. C. H Herbst, Stated Clerk.

A. Houts	Orangeville	Orangeville, Pa.	200	206	89	10	2	19	1	12	5	9	1	4	35	210	..	5238 00	1880 00	12
B. C. Meckel	Wilkes-Barre	Retired	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
A. M. Masonheimer, Ph.	Weatherly	Weatherly	400	235	230	45	..	57	4	5	5	12	5	4	38	500	..	271 00	1670 00	14
J. B. Kertchner	Freeland	Freeland	465	350	280	43	..	24	6	14	..	3	2	2	44	300	..	505 00	1700 00	7
D. W. Ebert, D.D.	Collegeville	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
C. W. E. Reigel	York	Without charge	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	1
C. H. Herbst	West Haverhill	Christ's Memorial	140	55	128	43	..	65	29	13	15	3	7	1	26	175	..	110 00	1680 00	13

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.																		
		MEMBERS.		ADDITIONS.		LOSERS.		SUNDAY SCHOOLS.		CONTRIBUTING.										
		Communicants.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Renewal of Prof'n.	Discontinued.	Recommunicated.	Transfer of Names.	Deaths, Uncon.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.	Minutes Wanted.		
C. E. Greits	532 Buttonwood St., Reading Assistant, St. Paul Reading, Pa.	571	721	519	41	7	59	34	6	29	1	1	83	1023	1251	00	5012	00	5	
Paul I. Deppen	1431 Perkiomen Av., Reading	174	139	89	23	1	4	23	8	5	7	1	47	265	146	00	1103	00	7	
H. H. Racker	152 Walnut St., Reading	187	158	103	9	18	14	14	2	3	3	1	49	308	93	00	1247	00	7	
William E. Harr	765 N. 11th St., Reading Pa.	1076	537	745	77	7	49	35	6	23	12	14	86	1163	916	00	5972	00	15	
T. W. Dickert	Reading, Pa.	1233	1000	531	36	4	47	57	12	28	7	1	55	1228	2799	00	5401	00	14	
J. F. Moyer	911 Chestnut St., Reading	616	448	408	43	1	26	66	5	10	6	1	89	704	546	00	2724	00	16	
Thos. H. Leinbach	1749 Centre Av., Reading	80	75	51	2	1	8	2	5	15	2	1	11	124	107	00	795	00	9	
H. J. Leinbach	" "	342	275	94	4	1	17	3	3	5	1	14	186	92	00	242	00	10		
H. J. Leinbach, supply	Epier's																			
T. M. Yundt	210 Windsor, Reading, Pa																			
Lloyd Knoll, Llc.	Philadelphia, Pa.																			
A. V. Casselman	Reading, Pa.	436	299	120	3	1	12	16	16						613	1	467	00	14	
Elam J. Snyder	Reading, Pa.	700	455	400	23	13	3	8	8	13	3	1	15	173	175	00	700	00	18	
		226	195	125	6			1	1	2			8	75	63	00	200	00	6	
		130	116	75	4						3				15	00	115	00	6	
		11501	9287	8946	593	28	550	338	112	176	194	57	30	1067	6	21943	00	55733	00	25

TOTAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF EASTERN SYNOD FOR THE YEAR A. D. 1906.

CLASSES.	MEMBERS.				ADDITIONS.				LOSSES.				SUNDAY SCH'LS				CONTRIBUTIONS.		Minutes of Synod Wanted			
	Licentiate.	Ministers.	Congregations.	Communi- cants.	Confirmed.	Uncom- muni- cated.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. of Re- n'w'l. of Prof.	Dismissed.	Excom- muni- cated.	Transfer of Names.	Deaths. Commun.	Deaths. Un- confirmed.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.		Stu'dts for Min.	Benevolent Purposes.	Congrega- tional Purposes.
East Pennsylvania	1	26	59	12354	9257	9539	719	147	730	506	178	237	227	199	199	74	1382	10634	6	86,978	893,090	478
Lebanon	1	26	47	10075	8307	5076	523	58	451	307	190	174	212	65	65	53	974	8979	11	6,644	45,742	330
Philadelphia	1	44	36	9165	7423	188	362	184	425	473	157	261	108	26	26	38	940	8787	7	26,206	69,363	304
Lancaster	4	45	53	8873	6665	2127	343	28	533	398	181	6	101	66	66	43	958	7491	12	12,425	79,399	388
East Susquehanna		19	54	7187	4699	4390	548	28	463	114	107	1	48	61	61	62	559	5363	3	6,196	25,827	326
West Susquehanna		20	62	6216	5393	2981	308	36	325	366	206	1	111	46	46	60	708	5064	6	7,533	27,410	312
Tobacco	1	30	40	9203	7371	4122	390	58	332	373	174	88	156	45	45	69	876	6152	13	6,764	41,926	367
Goshenhoppen		15	27	7752	6184	4317	109	58	329	158	100	3	141	55	55	30	602	4834	1	10,107	30,364	225
Lehigh	3	43	60	18489	15183	9848	844	28	749	653	176	3	276	284	181	60	1185	13098	16	16,138	78,264	595
Schuylkill		18	35	6946	4705	2800	467	13	364	307	111	254	144	62	62	82	617	5187	4	5,564	44,468	267
Wyoming	1	26	40	7371	5107	3892	472	29	375	243	140	74	124	57	57	48	736	6760	4	7,843	38,848	310
Reading	1	24	25	11501	9337	5955	595	28	560	338	112	175	194	57	57	30	952	10374	6	21,943	55,753	285
	15	239	644	116227	90633	57093	5772	544	5446	4058	1863	10	1974	1971	894	599	10507	90645	55	\$141,420	\$848,314	4217

TOTAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF REFORMED CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES FOR 1906.

SYNODS.	STATED CLERKS' POST OFFICE ADDRESS	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.		LOSSES.				SUNDAY SCH'LS				CONTRIBUTIONS			
		Communi- cants.	Communi- cated.	Uncom- muni- cated.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. or Re- n'w'l. of Prof.	Dismissed.	Excomm'n'd.	Transfer of Names.	Deaths. Commun.	Deaths. Uncom- muni- cated.	Number of Schools.	Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Stu'dts for Min.	Benevolent Purposes.
Eastern	Jno. P. Stein, D.D., Reading, Pa.	544	11027	50633	57063	5446	4058	1861	10	1974	1971	894	599	10507	90645	85	\$141,420	\$848,314
Ohio	Samuel Z. Beam, D.D., Carrollton, O.	147	257	25163	22937	1897	1254	667	2	840	346	103	210	3090	20355	15	25,829	166,730
Synod of N. West	J. J. Janett, D.D., Shelbyville, Wis.	180	243	25302	18729	15431	1044	309	14	562	314	108	224	1595	13234	38	25,890	135,590
Pittsburg	J. H. Mickle, Jolintown, Pa.	101	165	22563	18712	10619	1436	167	1050	947	570	226	154	1640	14345	11	39,769	193,363
Potomac	Lloyd E. Coble, Baltimore, Md.	178	320	43071	34390	1608	1172	859	453	601	298	289	289	4307	35761	36	84,234	260,782
Gen. Synod of East	A. K. Dahman, D.D., Buffalo, N. Y.	65	58	15070	12371	921	782	177	600	353	147	58	1170	12223	13	12,567	120,987	
Central	J. Bachman, D.D., New Knoxville, O.	108	121	24562	17968	1185	793	261	3	641	342	108	109	1615	14906	19	21,961	120,962
Interior	J. F. Stauffer, Sioux City, Ia.	53	61	3542	2841	114	237	100	161	37	10	81	729	4705	3	7,757	37,137	
		1170	1740	279164	134009	14493	13007	10282	4084	6418	4291	1974	1694	24523	201984	219	\$2319,117	\$1,658,865

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AT ITS ANNUAL SESSION HELD IN LANCASTER, PENNA., IN THE
MONTH OF OCTOBER, IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE
THOUSAND, NINE HUNDRED AND SEVEN.

The session began on October 23d, and continued until
Monday, October 28th; adjourning at 5:30 p. m.

ARTICLE I.

OPENING OF SYNOD.

The Eastern Synod convened in First Reformed Church on Wednesday, October 23, 1907, at 7:30 p. m. The session was opened with religious service, conducted by Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D. D., Reading, Pa. The sermon was preached by Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D. D., from the text recorded in St. John 20: 31: "But these are written that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ the son of God, and that believing ye might have life through his name."

At the close of the service, the provisional roll was called by the Stated Clerk, and the delegates were marked in attendance. A quorum being present, the President declared Synod ready for business.

Rev. H. W. Bright, of Norristown, Pa., was elected President for the current Synodical year. Synod adjourned at

9:30 p. m., to meet in the morning at 9 o'clock. The session was closed by prayer, the singing of the Long Meter Doxology and the benediction.

ARTICLE II.

MEMBERS PRESENT.

I.—East Pennsylvania Classis.

Ministers—P. E. Heimer, W. U. Helfrich, J. E. Freeman, H. H. Rupp, W. H. Erb, W. H. Brong.

Elders—E. W. Sandt, C. P. Kemmerer, C. S. Messinger, C. Shoemaker, C. G. Moyer, C. E. Sheckler.

II.—Lebanon Classis.

Ministers—Thos. C. Leinbach, W. J. Kerschner, H. E. Bodder, S. A. Leinbach, C. A. Butz.

Elders—J. A. Loose, J. L. Saylor, C. Loose, J. H. Strock.

III.—Philadelphia Classis.

Ministers—H. W. Bright, F. H. Fisher, F. C. Yost, D.D., E. V. Loucks, Chas. Santee, S. L. Messinger, A. C. Thompson, G. H. Miller.

Elders—H. M. Housekeeper, C. Brown, J. W. Rapp, Wm. Frantz, J. H. Francis, A. B. Sheffey.

IV.—Lancaster Classis.

Ministers—E. W. Lentz, G. A. Whitmore, W. C. Rittenhouse, J. H. Pannebecker, D.D., A. V. Heister, J. S. Stahr, D.D., C. Noss, D.D., J. P. Dieffenderfer.

Elders—C. N. Heller, J. H. Kurzenknabe, J. E. Ranck, J. W. Appel, E. C. Thompson, C. A. Corrigan, C. Eiseman, A. H. Helm.

V.—East Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—A. M. Schaffner, Calvin P. Wehr, C. B. Schneder, S. P. Brown.

Elders—C. Reichert, G. W. Smink, Jos. G. Corbett, J. B. Nuss.

VI.—West Susquehanna Classis.

Ministers—Samuel H. Stein, R. L. Gerhart, D.D., A. A. Black, Elias S. Noll.

Elders—Adam Rishel, N. H. Yearick, Dr. Geo. W. Hosterman, R. B. Harrison.

VII.—Tohickon Classis.

Ministers—Jno. F. Frantz, I. O. Schell, D. B. Clark, S. E. Moyer.

Elders—A. C. Stahr, J. M. Hartzell, Reuben Miller.

VIII.—Goshenhoppen Classis.

Ministers—C. M. DeLong, Wm. B. Werner, Geo. W. Roth.

Elders—Wm. M. Hiltbeitel, E. S. Shaner, Aaron Carl.

IX.—Lehigh Classis.

Ministers—Simon Sipple, J. P. Bachman, Geo. P. Stem, C. F. Freeman, Robt. M. Kern, G. W. Richards, D.D., Theo. F. Herman, E. H. Leinbach.

Elders—Geo. Fenstermacher, Frank Kerschner, F. C. Stahler, Geo. H. Horn, David Sheirer, John Bogert, L. B. Erd-

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X.—Schuylkill Classis.

Ministers—J. G. Kerschner, Z. A. Yearick, A. Lobach.

Elders—Geo. F. Morgan, M. S. Fegley.

XI.—Wyoming Classis.

Ministers—C. H. Mutschler, A. Houtz, S. E. Stofflet, Jos. E. Guy, J. B. Kerschner.

Elders—Josiah Thomas, Frank Hagenbuch, Samuel Schnure.

XII.—Reading Classis.

Ministers—Wm. E. Harr, Henry Y. Stoner, S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D., Elam J. Snyder.

Elders—F. S. Allgaier, R. W. D. Schell, Daniel Deatrich, F. Reichert.

Delegates Secundi.

Rev. P. S. Leinbach, delegate secundus of East Pennsylvania Classis, occupied the seat of Rev. J. E. Freeman on the first and second day of the sessions.

Rev. D. G. Glass, delegate secundus of Lancaster Classis, occupied the seat of Rev. W. C. Rittenhouse on the first three days of the session.

Advisory Members.

East Pennsylvania Classis—Rev. M. N. George.

Lebanon Classis—Revs. Dr. D. E. Klopp, J. L. Fluck, I. C. Fisher, C. H. Kehm, Hiram Nugard, Dr. H. Mosser, Paul Dundore, Wm. F. DeLong. Elders O. A. Zellers, Dr. S. P. Heilman and Dr. J. L. Lemberger.

Philadelphia Classis—Revs. J. N. Levan, R. S. Snyder, Dr. Jas. I. Good, A. S. Bromer, Dr. C. J. Musser, Abner Dechant, Dr. Jas. Crawford, E. D. Miller.

Lancaster Classis—Revs. J. W. Ault, Tilghman Derr, Chas. W. Roth, G. W. Spotts, D. G. Glass, Dr. J. H. Dubbs, Dr. Fred. G. Gast, Dr. John G. Noss, Dr. E. N. Kremer, J. Rauch Stein, S. H. Ditzel, H. N. Bassler, W. F. Lichliter, Wm. Yenser, J. Hunter Watts.

East Susquehanna Classis—Rev. E. E. Weaver.

West Susquehanna Classis—Rev. K. O. Spessard.

Tohickon Classis—Revs. J. J. Rothrock, Dr. N. Z. Snyder, Carl A. Stein.

Goshenhoppen Classis—Rev. I. S. Stahr.

Lehigh Classis—Revs. H. M. J. Klein, R. S. Apple, Dr. A. R. Bartholomew, W. F. More, G. B. Smith, Thos. H. Krick.

Schuylkill Classis—Revs. A. O. Reiter, G. W. Hartman, O. H. Strunck.

Wyoming Classis—Revs. C. E. Correll, C. W. Walck.

Reading Classis—Revs. Thos. W. Dickert, C. E. Creitz, L. M. Erdman, Thos. H. Leinbach, A. V. Casselman, C. E. Schaeffer, Dr. Jno. Ph. Stein, Dr. R. W. Miller.

Potomac Synod, Zion's Classis—Revs. H. H. Apple, Geo. W. Sorber, C. H. Brandt.

Potomac Synod, Gettysburg Classis—Revs. Ellis S. Hay, J. F. Mackley,

Potomac Synod, Virginia Classis—Revs. J. David Miller, J. M. Souder.

Potomac Synod, Maryland Classis—Revs. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., Dr. Jos. H. Apple.

Potomac Synod, Mercersburg Classis—Rev. W. C. Schaeffer, D.D.

Potomac Synod, Juniata Classis—Revs. J. W. Zehring, Benj. F. Bausman.

Pittsburg Synod, Somerset Classis—Rev. P. B. Rupp.

Pittsburg Synod, Westmoreland Classis—Revs. J. C. Bowman, D.D., and J. H. Mickley.

Synod of Interior, Illinois Classis—Rev. S. L. Whitmore, D.D.

German Synod of East, Philadelphia Classis—Rev. J. P. Seibel.

German Synod of East, German Maryland Classis—G. M. de F. Zacharias.

From Other Denominations.

Rev. E. Meister, St. Stephen's Lutheran, Lancaster, Pa.

Rev. J. W. Perkenpine, St. Paul's M. E. Church, Lancaster, Pa.

Rev. A. G. Nye, Otterbein U. B. Church, Lancaster, Pa.

Rev. H. W. Haring, Memorial Presbyterian Church, Lancaster, Pa.

ARTICLE III.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

President—Rev. Harry W. Bright, Norristown, Pa.

Vice-President—Rev. Z. A. Yearick, Shenandoah, Pa.

Corresponding Secretary—Rev. Samuel H. Stein, Lock Haven, Pa.

Reading Clerk—Rev. C. M. DeLong, East Greenville, Pa.

Rev. John Philip Stein continues Stated Clerk. Reading, Pa.

Treasurer—Mr. R. Monroe Hoffman, Reading, Pa.

ARTICLE IV.

RULES OF ORDER.

The Rules of Order adopted by General Synod at Akron, in 1887, were observed by Synod in the transaction of its business.

The Bar of the House was defined as extending to the tenth pew from the chancel.

The business session was opened at 9 a. m. and closed at 5 p. m., with a recess from 11:30 a. m. to 2 p. m.

ARTICLE V.

STANDING COMMITTEES.

The President appointed the following Standing Committees, to wit:

Religious Services—Revs. Geo. W. Richards, D.D., J. H. Pannebecker, William E. Harr, Elders A. H. Helm, G. W. Smink.

Minutes of Synod—Revs. S. R. Bridenbaugh, W. J. Kershner, C. W. Lentz, Elders Frank Hagenbuch, H. M. Housekeeper.

Overtures—Revs. P. E. Heimer, Simon Sipple, F. H. Fisher, A. C. Stahr.

Minutes of Classis—Revs. R. L. Gerhart, D.D., H. E. Bodder, S. E. Stofflett, Elders M. S. Fegley, Geo. Fenstermacher.

Examination and Licensure—Revs. J. B. Kerschner, S. A. Leinbach, Elders C. Reichert, Wm. Frantz.

State of the Church—Revs. C. Noss, D.D., A. C. Thompson, C. H. Mutschler, Elders Adam Rishel, C. G. Moyer.

College and Seminary—Revs. T. F. Herman, Calvin DeLong, Geo. P. Stem, Elders John W. Apple, C. S. Messinger.

Missions—Revs. Henry Y. Stoner, S. L. Messinger, R. M. Kern, Elders R. W. D. Schell, Dr. Geo. W. Hosterman.

Finance—Revs. Z. A. Yearick, I. O. Schell, E. V. Loucks, Elders J. M. Hartzell, A. B. Scheffey.

Nominations—Revs. A. V. Hiester, W. U. Helffrich, Joseph P. Bachman, Elders J. I. Corbett, J. H. Loose.

Publications—Revs. C. B. Schneder, J. G. Kerschner, A. A. Black, Elders J. H. Kurzenknabe, J. L. Saylor.

Orphan's Home and Benevolent Institutions—Revs. Chas. A. Santee, W. H. Erb, G. A. Whitmore, Elders F. Reichart, Frank Hagenbuch.

Sunday-Schools—Geo. H. Miller, S. H. Stein, A. M. Shaffner, C. E. Sheckler, H. Strock.

Advisory Members and Visiting Brethren—Revs. Wm. B. Werner, A. C. Thompson, Elder Jno. F. Frantz.

ARTICLE VI.
COMMUNICATIONS.

1. The Minutes of the following Classes: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, Lancaster, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Goshenhoppen, Tohickon, Lehigh, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Classes, for examination, with the exception of the reports on the State of the Church and the statistical tables, which were referred to the Standing Committee on those subjects.

2. The Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod and the Report of the Treasurer were read. The election to fill the vacancy occurring in the Board of Trustees of Synod was made the order of the day on Friday, at 2 p. m. Several items in Report of Trustees of Synod and the Treasurer's Report were referred to Committee on Finance.

3. The Annual Reports of the Board of Missions, the Treasurer of Home Missions, communications from General Synod's Board, from the Bi-Synodic Board and a communication from Potomac Synod, together with the report of General Synod's Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on Missions for further notice.

4. The Annual Reports of the Board of Trustees, the Board of Visitors, and the Board of Education of the Theological Seminary; also the Report of Franklin and Marshall College were received and severally referred to the Standing Committee on College and Seminary, with the exception of the nominations suggested to fill the vacancy in the Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College, which was referred to the Committee on Nominations.

5. The Annual Report of the Board of Publication of Reformed Church was read and referred to the Standing Committee on Publication for consideration.

6. The Report of General Synod's Sunday-School Board was received and referred to Committee on Sunday-Schools.

7. A number of communications were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Overtures.

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ARTICLE VII.

RELIGIOUS SERVICES.

The sessions of each day were severally opened and closed with religious service.

The report on Religious Services was presented by the Standing Committee at intervals and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

Religious Services.

The Committee on Religious Services begs leave to submit the following report of services held during the One Hundred and Sixty-First Annual Session of Eastern Synod, in Lancaster, Pa., October 23d to 27th:

Wednesday, 7:30 p. m.—Liturgical services, the Rev. S. R. Bridenbaugh, D.D.; sermon, by the Rev. E. N. Kremer, D.D.

Thursday, 7:30 p. m.—Home Missions. The Rev. S. T. Stofflet presided. Addresses by the Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., and the Rev. S. L. Whitmore, D.D.

Friday, 8 p. m.—Education. The Rev. C. A. Santee presided. Addresses by the Rev. J. S. Stahr, LL.D., and the Rev. R. L. Gerhart, D.D.

Saturday, 3 p. m.—Preparatory Service. Liturgical services, the Rev. J. P. Bachman; sermon, the Rev. S. L. Messenger, S. T. D.

Sunday, 11 p. m.—Holy Communion. Liturgical services, the Rev. G. W. Roth; sermon, the Rev. H. W. Bright, President of Synod.

Sunday, 3 p. m.—The Sunday-School. Wm. Keller, Esq., presided. Addresses by the Rev. H. E. Bodder, the Rev. H. H. Rupp and the Rev. R. W. Miller, D.D.

Sunday, 7:30 p. m.—Foreign Missions. The Rev. C. Noss, D.D., presided. Addresses by the Rev. A. K. Faust, missionary in Japan, and the Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D.

Sunday Services in the Churches of the City and the Adjoining Towns.

St. John's Reformed (German)—The Rev. G. R. Seibel, minister—10 a. m., the Rev. Thomas G. Leinbach; 7 p. m., the Rev. Carl Stein.

First Reformed Church—Rev. W. Stuart Cramer, minister—

10 a. m., Sunday-school. 11 a. m., Holy Communion. Liturgical service, Rev. G. W. Roth; sermon, the Rev. H. W. Bright, President of Synod. 3 p. m., the Sunday-school, Wm. Keller, Esq., presiding. Addresses by the Revs. H. E. Bodder, H. H. Rupp and R. M. Miller, D.D. 7:30 p. m., Foreign Missions, the Rev. C. Noss, D.D., presiding. Addresses by the Rev. A. E. Faust, missionary in Japan, and the Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D.

St. Paul's Reformed Church—Rev. J. W. Meminger, D.D., minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. W. F. More; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. S. L. Messinger.

St. Luke's Reformed Church—Rev. W. E. Lichliter, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. J. E. Freeman; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. Z. A. Yearick.

Faith Reformed Church—Rev. D. G. Glass, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. Robert N. Kern; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. C. B. Schneder.

St. Andrew's Reformed Church—Rev. J. Hunter Watts, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. E. W. Lentz; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. Wm. N. Helfroch.

St. Stephen's Reformed Church, College Chapel—Rev. J. S. Stahr, D.D.—10:30 a. m., the Rev. Theodore E. Herman, D.D.

St. Peter's Reformed Church, Santee Hall of Theological Seminary Building—Rev. Chas. E. Roth, minister—6:30 p. m., the Rev. H. H. Rupp.

St. John's Lutheran Church—Rev. B. F. Alleman, minister—10 a. m., the Rev. A. A. Black; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D.

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church—Rev. E. Meister, minister—10:30 a. m., German, the Rev. C. M. DeLong; 7:30 p. m., English, the Rev. Wm. H. Erb.

Memorial Presbyterian Church,—Rev. Dr. H. W. Haring, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. Samuel H. Stein; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. R. L. Gerhart, D.D.

Moravian Church—Rev. H. A. Gerdson, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. P. E. Heimer; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. J. Peter Bachman.

St. Paul's Methodist Church—Rev. J. Wesley Perkenpine,

minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. John F. Frantz; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. S. A. Leinbach.

Lancaster Avenue Methodist Church—Rev. D. A. Hinkle, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. C. B. Schneder; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. D. B. Clark.

Pearl Street Evangelical Church—Rev. J. W. Klein, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. W. B. Werner; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. Calvin P. Wehr.

Bethany United Evangelical Church—Rev. D. C. Medlar, minister—7:30 p. m., the Rev. J. G. Kerschner.

Bethel Church of God—Rev. J. W. Deshong, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. J. B. Kerschner; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. A. J. Lobach.

Olivet Baptist Church—Rev. Walter Whitley, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. G. H. Miller.

Otterbein U. B. Church—Rev. A. G. Nye, minister—7:30 p. m., the Rev. J. F. Frantz.

Trinity Reformed Church, Mountville—Chas. E. Roth, minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. Joseph E. Guy.

Trinity Reformed Church, Columbia—Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, D.D., minister—10:30 a. m., the Rev. Z. A. Yearick.

Zion's Reformed Church—Rev. G. A. Whitmore, minister—10:15 a. m., the Rev. S. L. Whitmore, D.D.

Bethany Reformed Church, York—Rev. Geo. S. Sorber, minister—the Rev. S. E. Stofflet for both services.

Salem Reformed Church, Heller's—Rev. J. H. Hillegas, minister—10 a. m., the Rev. J. Peter Bachman.

Salem Reformed Church, Rohrerstown—Rev. T. Derr, minister—10 a. m., the Rev. J. P. Stein, D.D.

Reformed Church, Hummelstown—Rev. J. P. Dieffenderfer, minister—the Rev. A. M. Schaffner for both services.

St. Paul's United Brethren Church, Mountville—10:30 a. m., the Rev. Chas. F. Freeman; 7:30 p. m., the Rev. J. E. Guy.

St. Paul's Reformed Church, Manheim—7:30 p. m., the Rev. J. A. Freeman.

New Holland—J. G. Noss, minister—10:30 a. m., G. B. Stem.

GEORGE W. RICHARDS,
J. H. PANNEBECKER, G. W. SMINK.

ARTICLE VIII.

MINUTES OF SYNOD.

The printed copy of the Minutes of the Eastern Synod were received and referred to the Standing Committee on Minutes of Synod to note such items as required attention.

The report was read on Thursday, during the afternoon session, acted on item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee appointed on the Minutes of the Session of the Eastern Synod held October 24-29, A. D. 1906, at Lehigh, Pa., find the following items in its Acts and Proceedings that claim your attention:

Item 1, p. 56. The Classes are requested to take such action as will bring the claims and the needs of the college and academy to the attention of our people.

Item 2, p. 56. The Classes are requested to urge pastors and consistories to coöperate with the representatives of the college and academy in their canvass for contributions.

Item 3, p. 57. The Classes are requested to lay it upon the consciences of pastors to influence worthy young men to take up the work of preparation for the Gospel ministry.

Item 4, p. 58. The Classes are requested to urge the pastors to coöperate with the Endowment Committee in securing from the laity a liberal support for the Theological Seminary.

Item 5, p. 79. The Classes are requested to urge pastors to present the claims of the Christian ministry to parents of worthy young men to dedicate themselves to Christ's service.

Item 6, p. 79. Synod requests that Home Missionary Day be observed second Sunday in November, and that offering for some worthy cause be over and above the apportion-
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Item 7, p. 79. Synod requests that the several Classes urge their respective treasurers to make monthly remittances of all moneys received for Home and Foreign Missions.

Item 8, p. 80. Synod recommends the appointment of a committee in each Classis to encourage Missionary Institutes and Mission Study Classes.

Item 9, p. 81. Synod requests the Classes to instruct its congregations to remit all moneys for Home and Foreign Missions direct to General Superintendent of Home Missions and to Secretary of Board of Foreign Missions.

Item 10, p. 83. The term of Samuel M. Gingrich on Board of Trustees expires January 1, 1908.

Item 11, p. 90. Synod appointed a Board of nine Trustees to take in charge the interest of this body in Allentown Female College.

Item 12, p. 90. Rev. Jno. F. DeLong, D.D., was instructed to vote the shares of stock owned by Synod in Allentown College for Women.

Item 13, p. 94. Instruction given to the stated Clerk to have printed in the Minutes of Synod a list of the Boards of the Church, etc. Referred to officers of Synod with instructions to report.

Item 14, p. 95. Preamble and resolutions in regard to improved statistics referred to the Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools.

Item 15, p. 110. Synod request Classes to direct the attention of pastors and superintendents to the formation of Mission Study Classes and Adult Bible Classes.

Item 16, p. 111. The Stated Clerk was instructed to have 4,400 copies of the Minutes of Eastern Synod printed and bound in pamphlet form for distribution.

Item 17, p. 115. Synod requests the Classes to urge pastors and people to aid the increase and circulation of *Messenger* and *Review*.

Item 18, p. 118. Synod commends to the Classes the liberal support of Bethany Orphans' Home with annual Christmas offerings, legacies and gifts.

Item 19, p. 128. Synod holds its annual session Wednesday, October 23, 1907, at 7:30 p. m., in the First Reformed Church, Lancaster, Pa.

Item 20, p. 126. Synod urges the Classes to request its several congregations to contribute to the cause of ministerial relief.

Item 21, p. 127. Synod gave instruction that if necessary the charter of Synod be so amended as to be in conformity with the legal requirements of the state constitution.

Item 22, p. 58. Synod commends the Board of Education and asks Classes to bring this cause to the attention of their people, and urge the several pastors to make efforts to secure larger contributions for this object.

Respectfully submitted,

S. R. BRIDENBAUGH, F. W. HAGENBUSH,
W. J. KERSCHNER, H. M. HOUSEKEEPER.

For the action of Synod on the several items contained in foregoing report, reference is herewith made, as follows:

The items 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 were reported as having been attended to. On item 10, see Article XV, on Finance. On item 11 and 12, see Report of President of Allentown College Board and the Report of Rev. Jno. F. DeLong, in Article XV, on Finance. On item 13 and 21, see Article XXI, Church Government. On items 14 and 15, see Article XX, on Sunday-Schools. On item 16, see Article XIX, on Publication. Items 17, 18, 19 and 20 reported as having been attended to.

ARTICLE IX. OVERTURES.

The report on Overtures was presented to Synod on Thursday during the afternoon and disposed of at intervals, item by item, and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The following papers and items have been presented to the committee on Overtures for consideration and action by your reverend body.

1. An invitation from St. Luke's Reformed Church, of Lock Haven, Pa., to the Eastern Synod to meet there at its next annual session.

2. A letter from Rev. Dr. J. H. Dubbs, in regard to a vacancy in the Board of Trustees of F. and M. College.

3. A letter addressed to the Eastern Synod by the Synod of Pittsburg.

4. A letter from Rev. H. H. Rupp, containing an outline from the Synod Permanent Sunday-School Committee.

The following Classes failed in part or wholly to note the number of ministers, licentiates and congregations: East Pennsylvania, Lebanon, Philadelphia, East Susquehanna, West Susquehanna, Tohickon, Schuylkill and Wyoming.

II.—Requests.

1. East Pennsylvania Classis requests attention of Synod to its statement in its minutes, page 252, item 16, namely, that it is not delinquent on Washington Memorial Church.

2. Lebanon Classes charges the Minutes of Eastern Synod, 1906, page 21, item 14, with an error in the date of Rev. H. E. Bodder's reception from Philadelphia. It should be January 2, 1906, instead of June 2, 1906.

3. Lehigh Classis requests Synod to abolish the roll of honor accorded to congregations that have paid their apportionment in full. See page 40, in printed Minutes of Classis.

4. Wyoming Classis reiterates its request to have the use of its apportionment raised for Church Building for its own mission. Page 34.

5. Wyoming Classis makes the statement that its Treasurer reports that the Classis has paid in full its arrearages on Washington Memorial Church and on General Synod's Contingent Fund. Page 34.

6. Lancaster Classis requests Synod to reconsider its action to send all moneys for Home and Foreign Missions to Superintendent and Secretary of the respective Boards. Page 81.

III.—Appeals and Complaints.

1. Lebanon Classis enters complaint against the action of German Philadelphia Classis, in the matter of the Old Klopp's Church. See page 26, Minutes of Lebanon Classis.

2. Wyoming Classis appoints Revs. W. D. Happel and J. B. Kerschner to defend Classis' action in the appeal of Rev. C. E. Correll, Page 54.

IV. —Subjects Referred.

The Classes took favorable action on all matters referred by Synod, with the following exceptions:

West Susquehanna Classis does not deem it expedient to be under Synod's Board of Education nor to remit all moneys

for Home and Foreign Missions direct to its official headquarters. Schuylkill Classis (see Minutes Schuylkill Classis, page 13, item 11) likewise Reading Classis (see Minutes of Classis, page 16) do not see their way clear to comply with the latter request.

Philadelphia Classis does not deem it advisable to (a) make provision for Missionary Institutes and also (b) refuses to acknowledge arrearages on apportionments, with the exception of the Contingent Fund.

Wyoming Classis does not see its way clear to acquiesce in Synod's recommendation of sending all moneys collected for Home and Foreign Missions direct to the Superintendent and Secretary of their respective Boards. Pages 33 and 34.

Lancaster Classis does not comply with the request of Synod to remit moneys for Home and Foreign Missions to its Superintendent and its Secretary.

V.—Licensed, Ordained, Received and Dismissed.

East Pennsylvania Classis licensed June 17, 1907, at Nazareth, Pa., Raymond R. Gregory, and ordained him July, 3, 1907, in Salem Church, at Gilbert, as missionary to Kansas City; received, July 26, 1907, Rev. Fred. C. Nau, from St. John's Classis, Central Synod; Rev. Roy J. Freeman, October 3, 1907, from East Susquehanna Classis; dismissed, March 11, 1907, Rev. W. H. Miller, to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod; Rev. C. J. Becher, having died August 22, 1907, his name disappears from roll.

Lebanon Classis licensed, May 7, 1907, in St. John's Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa., Edwin Milton Sando, and Adam H. K. Hoshauer and Daniel D. Brendle, May 22, 1907, in St. Paul's Reformed Church, Robeson, Pa.; dismissed Lic. E. M. Sando to Zion's Classis, Synod of Potomac; Lic. A. H. K. Hoshauer, to Philadelphia Classis, and D. D. Brendle, to Lancaster Classis.

Philadelphia Classis received, January 23, 1907, Rev. E. J. Laros, from Lehigh Classis; Lic. A. H. K. Hoshauer, September 12, 1907, from Lebanon Classis; ordained, August 1, 1906, Lic. John Lentz, in Pleasantville Reformed Church; dismissed, July 1, 1907, Rev. A. O. Reiter, to Schuylkill Classis, and

Rev. E. W. Middleton, to Presbytery of St. Lawrence, New York.

Lancaster Classis licensed, May 24, 1907, Charles Edgar Rupp; received, May 24, 1907, Rev. Hiram J. Hillegass, from Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod; May 24, 1907, Lic. Jas. A. Boehm, from Tohickon Classis, and ordained him July 9, 1907, in St. Paul's Church, Quarryville, Pa.; received, May 24, 1907, Lic. Dan'l D. Brendle, from Lebanon Classis, and ordained him June 6, 1907, in Shoop's Charge; received, July 5, 1907, Student John F. Buchheit, from Clarion Classis, Pittsburg Synod; dismissed, July 5, 1907, Lic. Chas. E. Rupp, to Juniata Classis, Potomac Synod. Rev. D. W. Gerhard, D.D., died December 23, 1906, and Rev. Theo. Appel, D.D., died September 28, 1907, and their names disappear henceforth from the Classical roll.

East Susquehanna Classis licensed Thomas M. Kressley, May, 1907, at Berrysburg, Pa.; ordained Lic. Roy J. Freeman, June 5, 1906, at Hegins, Pa.; Elmer G. Leinbach, July 5, 1906, at Millersburg; received A. J. Herman, from Tohickon Classis, and ordained him June 13, 1907; dismissed Rev. Roy J. Freeman, September 16, 1907, to East Pennsylvania Classis; enrolled the name of Rev. S. F. Hartzel as a member of Classis; ceded Salem congregation to Wyoming Classis.

West Susquehanna Classis received, May 9, 1907, Rev. S. S. Kohler, from Schuylkill Classis; Rev. Wilson D. Donat, February 4, 1907, from Lebanon Classis, and dismissed, May 23, 1907, Rev. W. D. Marburger, to Illinois Classis, Synod of Interior.

Tohickon Classis licensed, May 14, 1907, J. Leidy Yearick, Titus C. Josat, Alfred J. Herman and James Alfred Boehm, at Riegelsville, Pa.; ordained, June 11, 1906, Lic. John F. Frantz; received, July 20, 1907, Rev. Jacob N. Faust, from Gettysburg Classis, Synod of Potomac; dismissed, May 14, 1907, Lic. Alfred J. Herman, to East Susquehanna Classis, Lic. James Alfred Boehm, to Lancaster Classis, July 20, 1907, Lic. J. Leidy Yearick, to North Carolina Classis, Synod of Potomac, September 30, 1907, Rev. Jas. Riley Bergey, to Juniata Classis, Synod of Potomac, and Lic. Titus C. Josat, to Illinois Classis, Synod of Interior.

Goshenhoppen Classis received, July 13, 1907, Rev. L. V. Hetrick, from Allegheny Classis, Synod of Pittsburg.

Lehigh Classis dismissed, December 31, 1906, Rev. E. J. Laros, to Philadelphia Classis; Rev. Thos. S. Land, D.D., April 23, 1907, to Maryland Classis, Potomac Synod; licensed, May 21, 1907, Malcom, P. LaRose, John Nathan Levan and Lee M. Erdman; received, May 22, 1907, Lic. William S. Clapp, from North Carolina Classis, Synod of Potomac; ordained, October 7, 1906, Lic. Geo. M. Smith; received, July 6, 1907, Rev. Wm. L. Meckstroth, from Toledo Classis, Central Synod; dismissed, July 6, 1907, Lic. Lee M. Erdman, to Reading Classis, and Lic. John N. Levan to Philadelphia Classis. Rev. James N. Bachman having died, his name disappears from the roll.

Schuylkill Classis received Lic. Dennis Sipple, from Somerset Classis, Pittsburg Synod, and ordained him June 16, 1907, at Friedensburg, Pa.; received Rev. Howard A. Althouse, from Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod, and Rev. Amos O. Reiter, from Philadelphia Classis; dismissed Rev. Dr. C. L. Whitmore, to Illinois Classis, Synod of Interior, and Rev. S. S. Kohler, to West Susquehanna Classis.

Wyoming Classis received, October 23, 1906, Lic. Chalmers W. Walck, from Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod, and ordained him November 4, 1906, in Calvary Reformed Church, Scranton, Pa.; received, May 24, 1907, Samuel A. Hitner, from Virginia Classis, Potomac Synod; dismissed, August 24, 1907, Rev. A. H. Herbst, to Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod, and Rev. Preston A. DeLong, from Mercersburg Classis, Potomac Synod.

Reading Classis received, Lic. Lee M. Erdman, from Lehigh Classis and ordained him September 8, 1907, as assistant pastor in St. Thomas congregation, Reading, Pa.; dismissed, August 30, 1907, Rev. H. Jerome Leinbach, to Lebanon Classis. Rev. Thomas M. Yundt having died April 19, 1907, his name disappears from the roll.

VI.—Apportionments.

The following charges in the several Classes have paid their apportionments in full and are entitled to be included in the Roll of Honor, namely:

Lancaster Classis—New Holland; Salem, Heller's; Salem, Rohrerstown; Salem, Harrisburg; St. Stephen's, Lancaster; Trinity, Columbia; St. Luke's, Lancaster; Zion's, Millersville; Maytown; Christ, Elizabethtown; Second, Harrisburg; St. John's, Harrisburg; Faith, Lancaster; Manheim; First, Steelton; Willow Street; Hummelstown; First, Lancaster; Armstrong Valley; Zion's, New Providence; Trinity, St. Peter's and Fourth, Harrisburg; St. Paul's, Quarryville.

West Susquehanna Classis—Williamsport; Nittany Valley; Rebersburg; Mifflinburg; Lewisburg; Bellefonte; Lewistown; Centre Hall; Lock Haven; Beaver Springs; Liverpool; Aaronsburg; Buffalo Valley.

Lehigh Classis—Zion's, St. John's, Salem's, Trinity, Dubbs' Memorial and St. Andrew's.

Schuylkill Classis—St. John's, Schuylkill Haven; St. Mark's, Cressona; Trinity, Shenandoah; Trinity, Pottsville; Friedens', New Ringgold; First Church, Schuylkill Haven; St. Paul's, Mahanoy City; Trinity, Tamaqua; St. John's, Tamaqua; St. Peter's, Frackville; St. Luke's, Bd. Mountain; Auburn Charge, Friedensburg Charge, Orwigsburg Charge.

Wyoming Classis—Freeland; Christ's Memorial; Emmanuel's, Hazleton; Zion's, Wilkes-Barre; St. John's, Bloomsburg; Mansdale, Scranton; Conyngham; Paradise; St. Luke's, Wilkes-Barre; Berwick; Fayette; Nanticoke; Milton; Danville.

Reading Classis—St. Paul's, St. John's, Calvary, St. Thomas, Schwartzwald, St. Mark's, St. Andrew's, Faith and St. James, St. Stephens, First, Reading, Alsace.

VII.—Time and Place of Next Annual Meetings of Classes.

1. *East Pennsylvania Classis* will meet in Grace Reformed Church, Easton, Pa., Monday, May 4, 1908, at 7:45 p. m. Rev. Paul S. Leinbach, President; Rev. J. G. Rupp, Stated Clerk; Rev. F. H. Moyer, Treasurer.

2. *Lebanon Classis* will meet in Tabor Reformed Church, Lebanon, Pa., April 27, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Paul J. Dundore, President; Dr. D. E. Klopp, Stated Clerk; Jacob K. Funk, Treasurer.

3. *Philadelphia Classis* will meet in St. John's Reformed

Church, Phoenixville, Pa., May 5, 1908, at 7:45 p. m. Rev. F. H. Fisher, President; Rev. Chas. B. Alspach, Stated Clerk; Elder Jacob S. Sechler, Treasurer.

4. *Lancaster Classis* will meet in Bethany Reformed Church, Ephrata, Pa., May 4, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Harry Nelson Bassler, President; Rev. D. G. Glass, Stated Clerk; Rev. J. H. Pannebecker, Treasurer.

5. *East Susquehanna Classis* will meet in Trinity Reformed Church, Millersburg, Pa., June 1, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Simon P. Brown, President; Rev. J. Alvin Reber, Stated Clerk; Dr. M. D. Lehr, Treasurer.

6. *West Susquehanna Classis* will meet in St. Andrew's Reformed Church, Coburn, Pa., May 6, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. E. F. Rhodes, President; Rev. Jas. M. Runkle, Stated Clerk; and A. A. Black, Treasurer.

7. *Tohickon Classis* will meet in Christ Reformed Church, Trumbauersville, Bucks County, Pa., June 1, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Scott R. Wagner, President; Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D. D., Stated Clerk, and Rev. J. J. Rothrock, Treasurer.

8. *Goshenhoppen Classis* will meet in Heidelberg Reformed Church, Schwenksville, Pa., May 25, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Geo. G. Greenawald, President; Rev. C. S. Wieand, Stated Clerk and Treasurer.

9. *Lehigh Classis* will meet in the Jacksonville Church, of the Jacksonville Charge, Lehigh County, Pa., June 1, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Jas. H. Krick, President; Rev. Dr. D. E. Schoedler, Stated Clerk; Rev. Simon Sipple, Treasurer.

10. *Schuylkill Classis* will meet in St. John's Reformed Church, Auburn, Pa., Monday, May 12, 1908, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. T. J. Bower, President; Rev. Wm. D. Stoyer, Stated Clerk; Rev. O. H. Strunck, Treasurer.

11. *Wyoming Classis* will meet June 1, 1908, at 8:00 p. m., in St. John's Reformed Church, Milton, Pa. Rev. Wm. Toennes, President; Rev. C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk; Rev. A. Houts, Treasurer.

12. *Reading Classis* will meet in St. Paul's Reformed Church, Reading, Pa., on first Monday in May, 1908, at 7:45 p. m. Rev. H. H. Ranck, President; Rev. Dr. S. R. Bridenbaugh, Stated Clerk; Rev. H. Y. Stoner, Treasurer.

In conclusion, your committee submits for the consideration of Synod the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Stated Clerks be requested to report the number of ministers, licentiates and congregations.

Resolved, That the several Classes be requested to present their official copies of minutes to Synod, either printed or type-written, and if type-written, that they be instructed to have the minutes bound.

Respectfully submitted,

R. LEIGHTON GERHART,

S. E. STOFFLETT,

M. S. FEGLEY,

H. E. BODDER,

GEO. O. FENSTERMACHER

The action of Synod is as follows:

Irregularities.

The several items under the head of Irregularities were severally adopted.

Requests.

The items 1, 2 and 5 under this head were severally confirmed. In regard to item 3, Synod does not see its way clear to grant this request. On item 4, Synod grants this request for the present year, subject to renewal if warranted by its annual report.

On item 6, Synod refers this request to a committee, consisting of Revs. J. E. Freeman, D. B. Clark, S. L. Messinger and Elders C. M. Heller, W. M. Hildebeitel. See Article XVI, on Appeals and References.

Appeals and Complaints.

The complaints of Lebanon Classis was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. C. Noss, H. H. Rupp, D. B. Clark and Elders C. H. Heller and E. S. Shaner. See Article XVII, on Complaints.

The appeal of Rev. C. E. Correll, against the Wyoming Classis, was referred to a special Committee, consisting of Revs. A. V. Heister, C. F. Freeman, E. J. Snyder and Elders R. B. Harrison and F. C. Allgaier. See Article XVI, on Appeals and References.

Subjects Referred.

The objections of the Classes of Lancaster, West Susquehanna, Schuylkill, Wyoming and Reading, in regard to remitting moneys for Home and Foreign Missions, were referred to a special committee appointed on that subject. See Article XVI, on Appeals and References.

The action of Philadelphia Classis, noted in item (a) was adopted.

Item (b) was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. J. S. Stahr, J. H. Pannebecker, S. L. Messinger and Elders J. A. Loose and G. W. Hosterman. See Article XVI, on Appeals and References.

Licensure, Ordination, Reception and Dismission.

The various items of the several Classes under this head were adopted.

Apportionments.

The reports of the congregations of the several Classes having paid their apportionments in full were adopted.

Time and Place of the Annual Meeting of the Classis.

The several items under this head and the additional instructions contained in the report were adopted.

ARTICLE XI.

EXAMINATION, LICENSURE AND ORDINATION.

The Standing Committee on Examination, Licensure and Ordination presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Examination and Licensure begs leave to report that no papers or applications for examination and licensure were submitted to your committee and hence there was no work that claimed their attention.

Respectfully submitted,

J. B. KERSCHNER, *Chairman.*

ARTICLE XII.

STATE OF THE CHURCH.

The report on the State of the Church was presented on Monday during the morning session, and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: As we review the work of Classes and congregations during the past year, we should keep in mind two principles. One is, that it is our duty to hold ourselves unswervingly loyal to the high ideal of the kingdom, and not to fall into the errors of those who merely compare themselves with themselves. Gratifying as is the manifest progress of the year, we would still exhort the Church:

"Forget the steps already trod,
And onward urge thy way."

The other consideration is that the Church is God's husbandry. "So is the kingdom of God as if a man should cast seed upon the earth and should sleep and rise night and day and the seed should spring up and grow he knoweth not how." The most significant facts are likely to escape the observation of the ecclesiastical historian or statistician. One of our pastors once said to a returned missionary: "How delightful your work must be! You can see just what you are accomplishing as the new Church develops before your eyes. Many of us who work in America only know that our churches are holding their own and we cannot see so clearly what we are doing." The missionary replied: "Blessed are they that do not see and yet believe."

While it is more important to keep up the fight than to watch the issue of the battle, it is right that we should pause for a moment to glance over the field.

Here and there we see detachments of the army of the Lord suffering reverses. In some rural districts the Church is weakened by the constant trend of population toward the industrial centers. From Schuylkill Classis comes a report that in some communities our own people are being replaced by immigrants of another stock and another faith, who come

faster than they can be assimilated. We are not without moribund churches, whose interest is centered in the ancestral cemeteries and which certainly do not exert the influence they should on the spiritual life and morals of the communities in which they are placed.

The Church is deeply concerned about the supply of ministers of the Gospel. A year ago eighty-five students for the ministry were reported, this year only seventy-six. Yet in spite of the small number of graduates in theology, the number of ministers in this Synod is slowly and steadily increasing.

Another reverse that we believe to be temporary concerns the benevolences of the Church. The raise in the apportionments ordered by the General Synod has had the effect of reducing the number of charges on the roll of honor from 114 to 83. The amount of moneys raised for benevolent purposes is now \$145,129, an increase of only 3,709 for the year, while the contributions for congregational purposes were increased from \$648,000 to \$693,000, a gain of \$45,586. On all sides the classes report the building of new churches, the remodelling of old ones, the acquisition of parsonages, the cancellation of debts. There is a general movement to increase pastors' salaries. An aggressive committee of elders in Lancaster Classis secured an increase of salaries in eighteen charges. Paradoxical though it may sound, the prevailing prosperity seems to have put a slight check on the benevolences of the Church. In several classical reports, congregations that pay the apportionment in full even while they are engaged in heavy building operations are warmly commended. The consensus of the Church approves the system of apportionments. But it is evident that we have reached the point where nourishment is needed quite as much as stimulation. Finance is more prominent in many of the Classical reports than it should be. If the many had the spirit of personal consecration to the kingdom that characterizes the few, the apportionment would cease to trouble the brethren.

In this regard we are surely making progress. There is an evident growth of missionary spirit. This is manifested not

only in the increase of intelligent interest in the operations of the Boards of Missions, but also in the prevalence of better conditions at home. In this connection one of the classical reports significantly says: "There is greater willingness in dismissing members to congregations within whose bounds they reside and a friendlier sympathy for the weaker charges and congregations."

The consciousness that our Reformed Church has a distinct mission to perform in the religious life of America and of the world is finding more frequent and emphatic expression. The missionary motive has much to do with the happy rapprochement of the parties within the Synod. The same motive is the dominant note in the loud call to the ministry now being sounded in the ears of our young men.

Especially do we rejoice in the fact that the children of the Church are receiving more adequate attention. The work of the Sunday-school which we cherish as a necessary supplement to our well-maintained catechetical system, is entering upon a new era. In the country at large religious education has become the subject of persistent agitation and the Sunday-school is receiving wholesome criticism. These general influences, together with the indefatigable endeavors of our Board and the various committees on Sunday-school work along the lines of teacher-training and the increase campaign, are creating a new interest in this most important work and giving us our brightest outlook for the future.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTOPHER NOSS,	A. C. THOMPSON,
C. H. MUTSCHLER,	ADAM RISCHER.

Ministerial Necrology.

The following is the record of the ministerial brethren, containing a brief sketch of their labors in the Reformed Church, who, while in connection with the Eastern Synod, have died during the Synodical year, and which is herewith appended to the report on the State of the Church, as a slight tribute to their memory.

Respectfully submitted,

JNO. PHILIP STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

REV. DANIEL F. BRENDLE, D.D.

Died November 30, 1906.

Daniel Fisher Brendle was the eldest son of John and Ellis Brendle, born January 23, 1824, in Heidelberg Township, Berks County, Pa. He was of pious parents, united with the Church in his youth, under the pastoral care of Rev. Thos. Leinbach. In his youth he attended the academy at Womelsdorf and in 1845 he entered F. and M. College, and was graduated with his class in 1849, and in 1851 completed his course in the Theological Seminary. He was ordained in 1852 as the pastor of the Farmersville charge, consisting of three congregations. In June, 1902, he was permitted to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his pastorate in the Farmersville Charge, when he became, by Classical action, *pastor emeritus* of his charge.

In 1852 he entered the marital relation with Louisa, daughter of Rev. C. G. Herman. This union was blessed with five children.

He was the author of several works, entitled "The Prodigal Son," "The Lives of the Apostles" and "God's Plan of Salvation." During the increasing infirmities of his closing years, his life was quiet, peaceful and restful, waiting at the gate for the coming of the Lord, while the loving hands of his children were ministering to his needed comfort. He closed a well-spent life November 30, 1906, at his home in Bethlehem. The funeral service was held in Christ Church and the interment was made in the cemetery of the Arndt's Church, having attained the age of 82 years, 10 months and 7 days.

REV. DARIUS WILLIAM GERHARD, D.D.

Died December 23, 1906.

Darius William, the oldest of five gifted sons of the Rev. Wm. T. Gerhard, deceased, was born March 21, 1838, at Mt. Pleasant, Bucks county, Pa. In his childhood, his parents removed to Northampton, and from thence to Bucks County, where he received his early literary training. Later on he attended the Allentown Seminary, where he fitted himself, in 1858, for entrance into F. and M. College, from which he

graduated with honor in 1862. In August of the year of his graduation he enlisted in Company E of 135th Reg. of Pa. Volunteers, taking an active part in the battle of Chancellorsville. In 1863 he entered the Theological Seminary, and was graduated in 1866. In 1866 he became the regular pastor of the McConnellsburg Charge and was ordained and installed, June 23, by a committee of Mercersburg Classis, which he served two years, including the full time of service. In 1867 he became pastor of the New Holland Charge, consisting of three congregations. He continued pastor of the Heller congregation, which became a self-supporting congregation, for forty years. He was secretary of the Alumni Association of F. and M. College twenty-seven years, Stated Clerk of Lancaster Classis thirty-seven years and historian of his class since 1862. In 1872 he entered wedlock with Mary C. Geise, of Reading, Pa., with whom he was blessed with five children, two sons and three daughters—a son and a daughter serving as missionaries in Japan. In 1904, his Alma Mater conferred on him the title of D.D. Having spent a life of faithful service, he closed his earthly career in the 69th year of his age. His body was interred, December 26th, in the cemetery at Hellers, leaving a wife, five children and a sorrowful congregation to mourn his departure.

REV. DAVID B. KLINE.

Died April 19, 1907.

David B. Kline, son of Mr. Ammon Kline, was born 1873, at Phoenixville, Pa. His early educational training was received in the public schools. At the age of eighteen, he became a teacher, and for three years he taught in the public schools at Stonersville, Exeter Township, Bucks County, Pa. Later on, he entered the Buffalo School of Commerce, and after a term of three years was graduated in shorthand and typewriting. He served as instructor for nearly ten years in Stoner's Business College, Reading, Pa., and by private study, advanced himself creditably in scholarly attainments. In 1903 he entered the Theological Seminary at Lancaster and was graduated in May, 1906. He was licensed by Reading

Classis, May 14, 1906, and ordained June 17, 1906, by East Pennsylvania Classis as the pastor of St. Peter's Reformed Church, at Tatamy, Northampton County, Pa. He died suddenly, April 19, 1907, by the rupture of a blood vessel, at the age of thirty-four years, leaving his wife (a born Clouser), a son and a sister, Mrs. Bertha Conner, to mourn his early departure. His remains were conveyed to Reading and the funeral services were held April 23d, in St. Mark's Church, of which he was formerly a member, and the earthly remains were interred in Chas. Evans cemetery.

REV. THOMAS M. YUNDT.

Died April 19, 1907.

Thomas M. Yundt, son of Thomas and Eliza (Marks) Yundt, was born February 10, 1858, near Allentown, Pa. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. Jos. S. Dubbs, D.D., pastor of Zion's Reformed Church, Allentown, and confirmed in 1872 in that church by Rev. N. S. Strasburger. He received his earlier training in the public schools, West Chester Normal School, Muhlenberg Academic Department and was graduated in Muhlenberg College, with the class of 1882. His theological training was received in Yale Divinity School and was graduated in 1885.

He was licensed to preach the Gospel July 2, 1885, by Lehigh Classis, and entered upon the work of the ministry in a mission church in Kansas City, Mo. He was ordained by Lebanon Classis in 1886, and in the same year was called to the superintendency of Bethany Orphans' Home, at Womelsdorf, Pa., in which position he rendered faithful and efficient service for more than seventeen years. On the first of August, 1904, he became pastor of Alsace Charge, Reading, Pa., consisting of two large congregations, and in June, 1905, he was elected Superintendent of the Board of Home Missions.

In 1885 he was married to Miss Minerva A. Koons, of Allentown, Pa., in which relation he was blessed with five children, four of whom are still living. The duties and responsibilities of his office as Superintendent of Home Missions absorbed his attention and became the thought and burden of his heart. Just when he began to realize the nature of his work and

became familiar with his new sphere of labor, his health failed from sheer exhaustion, and after an illness of several weeks, he died at his home in Reading, April 19, 1907, at the age of 49 years, 2 months and 9 days. An early funeral service was held April 24, 1907, at his home, and the body conveyed on the same day to Allentown, where the service was continued in Zion's Reformed Church. His earthly remains were interred in West End cemetery adjoining that city.

REV. JAMES NATHAN BACHMAN.

Died August 20, 1907.

James Nathan Bachman, son of Nathan Bachman and his wife Eliza, *nee* Donat, was born March 18, 1854. He was baptized in infancy by Rev. John Zulich and also confirmed by him at the proper age. In the year 1868, when the public school system was adopted in West Penn Township, Schuylkill County, he was appointed as one of the teachers. Later on he attended the Keystone State Normal School, Kutztown, and Palatinate College, Myerstown, and in the fall of 1873, he entered Heidelberg College, Ohio, as a junior, and was graduated in 1876 with honor, and two years later from the Theological Department connected with the same institution. He was licensed, May 26, 1877, by the Ohio Synod, at Orrville, Ohio. He was elected and ordained, June 2, 1877, by East Pennsylvania Classis, as pastor of the Jacksonville Charge, in Lehigh County, Pa., consisting of four congregations—New Bethel, Lynnville, Lowhill and Jacksonville—and became the successor to Rev. John Zulich, who served the same charge for more than fifty years. Rev. Bachman served this charge for twenty-eight years. On account of impaired health, he retired June 1, 1905, from the active duties of the ministry. He had entered into holy wedlock in 1880 with Louisa M. George, of Germansville. He died August 20, 1907, at the age of 53 years, 5 months and 4 days. He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter, also by his aged father, a brother, Rev. A. J. Bachman, of Schaefferstown, and a sister, Mrs. Mahlon C. Dietrich, of Kempton. He was buried August 22, 1907, at St. Jacob's Church, at Jacksonville, Pa. After suffering for nearly four years from a painful illness, he entered into rest awaiting a blessed resurrection.

REV. CYRUS J. BECKER.

Died August 22, 1907.

Cyrus J. Becker, son of Rev. Dr. Jacob C. Becker, was born April 4, 1827, near Kreidersville, Northampton County, Pa. His educational training was received in the district schools, and the Preparatory School, Easton, Pa. He entered Lafayette College, where he was graduated at the age of eighteen. He pursued his theological studies for one year under the direction of his father, entered the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg and was graduated in 1848. He was in the same year licensed and ordained as an assistant to his father. In 1850 he accepted a call from the Towamencin and Big Moose Charge, where he served as pastor until 1854, when, on account of failing health, he was obliged to resign. After spending several years in teaching, he succeeded his father as pastor of the Howertown Charge, which he served for forty-seven years. On account of failing health, he retired, in 1902, from the active duties of the ministry.

Rev. C. J. Becker was married, November 11, 1852, to Miss Mary Weader. This marriage was blessed with two sons, Dr. A. J. Becker, of Catasauqua, and Rev. Jacob Becker, of Rensselaer, N. Y. The funeral services were held August 24th, in Salem Reformed Church, Catasauqua, Pa., having attained the age of 80 years, 4 months and 18 days. He was a man of God beloved by the people whom he served and who honored his calling by the faithful service rendered to the Master.

REV. THEODORE APPEL, D.D.

Died September 28, 1907.

Theodore Apple was born April 30, 1823, at Easton, Pa. At an early age he became a clerk in a store in his native city. After a brief experience in business, two years were spent in Dr. John Vendevere's Academy, and in 1839 he was admitted to the Sophomore Class at Marshall College, Mercersburg, Pa. After his graduation, he entered the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church and during his whole course served as tutor in Greek in the college. In 1845 he was graduated from the Seminary, accepted a call from the

Cavetown Charge, Maryland, which he served four years. In 1857 he became pastor of the Reformed Church at Mercersburg and professor of Mathematics in College. In 1858 he removed with the college to Lancaster, where he remained in active service until 1877. He served eight years as Superintendent of the Board of Home Missions and acted as Secretary of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary. In 1872 the title of D.D. was conferred upon him by University of Pennsylvania. He was the author of "College Recollections," "The Beginnings of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church," "Letters to Boys and Girls About First Christmas," "Life and Works of Dr. John W. Nevin." Since 1897 he has been living retired.

In 1854 he was married to Miss Sarah Burton Wolff, who died May, 1900. Three children survive: Miss Charlotte, at home; Dr. Theodore B., of Lancaster, and Elizabeth, wife of Theo. W. Nevin, of Pittsburg. The funeral services were held in chapel of F. and M. College, on September 30th, at 3 p. m., conducted by Rev. Dr. John S. Stahr, President of College, assisted by Dr. J. B. Kieffer, Prof. G. E. Mull, Dr. G. W. Richards, Dr. E. N. Kremer and Rev. Dr. J. W. Santee. He died in the 85th year of his age, and his earthly remains were interred in Lancaster cemetery.

ARTICLE XIII.

I.—FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE AND ACADEMY, THE EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AND THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

(a) Report of the President of F. and M. College.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: It is encouraging to note that the enrollment of students in Franklin and Marshall College during the present year is larger than ever before and that the actual attendance in the college classes has gone beyond the two hundred mark. There are 220 names on the roll of the college and 200 on the roll of the academy. Deducting sixteen

names, which are given twice, the enrollment for the college and academy is 404. This fact is gratifying, in the first place, because it shows that Franklin and Marshall College is more than holding its own, that the efficiency of work in the institution and the efforts made to keep the college before the community are appreciated, and that the reputation of the college is constantly growing. In the second place, it is additional evidence, corroborating the evidence accumulating throughout the country, that the small college, as over against the university, is not being crowded out of the field. A few years ago it was apparent that the enlargement of the courses of study in the large universities, the introduction of a wide range of electives, and the glamour of large numbers, conspired to induce many young men to flock to the large universities. Besides this, there were not lacking indications that some of the larger universities were arranging their work with a view to the elimination of the small college, so as to get students to pass at once from the high school to the university. Carefully-prepared statistics show that throughout the country the relative increase of students is larger in the small colleges than in the great universities, and that, therefore, the fear which many have entertained as to the future of the denominational colleges and the smaller institutions of learning is really groundless. The best authorities of the country are of the opinion that, other things being equal, the best place for a young man to secure a liberal education and to develop sound character is in the college, and that the proper function of the university is in furnishing graduate courses and professional instruction to young men who have already taken their first degree; that the judgment of the best educators will ultimately prevail and commend itself to the candidates for higher education is reasonably certain, provided only that the standard of efficiency is kept sufficiently high in the small college.

To meet the demands which may be reasonably made of an institution which professes to offer a liberal education to its patrons, three things are necessary. First, a scientifically arranged course of study, including for all students certain elements which are deemed essential, and making

room, at the same time, by a properly-guarded system of elective studies, for differences in mental aptitudes and tastes, as well as studies which are necessary as preliminary qualifications for technical or professional study. Secondly, a sufficiently large corps of teachers to secure for the individual students that degree of personal attention and close intercourse which are essential to the proper training of young men at the age when they usually go to college. These teachers, as college professors, are to be not simply instructors but educators, that is, men who take a personal interest in their students, and help to mold their life and character as well as develop and discipline their intellectual powers. It is no doubt true that the German universities take the lead in scholarship among the institutions of learning throughout the world, but there is something to be said in favor of the English system, prevailing at Oxford and Cambridge, where the students are brought into personal contact with the masters and fellows of the college to which they belong. The small college must, in the nature of the case, furnish something of this kind if its work is to be successful. Thirdly, there must be a healthy moral tone in the atmosphere of college life. The literary societies, the Greek letter fraternities, literary and musical clubs and athletic associations all have their office, and they must be so regulated as to hold their legitimate place in the life of the institution. The athletic spirit is fraught with danger and needs to be carefully handled. The dangers are much less, and the proper control of a disposition which, in its true place, is perfectly legitimate in young men, is much easier in the small college than in the large universities, where the enormous gate receipts, the spirit of gambling, and the tendency to excesses and dissipation furnish temptations which it is not easy for young men to resist.

It is highly important, therefore, that in all these respects Franklin and Marshall College should take no backward step. The Faculty are doing what they can to meet what is required under the last head. Efforts are made constantly to lay stress on class-room work and study, and to prevent young men from becoming members of athletic teams or the glee club

if their scholarship is not sufficiently good to admit of their making such sacrifices of time as these interests may require. It is not always possible to prevent encroachment upon class-room work by such outside interests; but it is believed that these interests are managed in such a way as to do a minimum amount of harm, and to secure an over-balancing amount of advantage in the way of better health, less rowdiness in other directions, greater enthusiasm, and a higher degree of loyalty and devotion to the college.

The work of instruction in the various departments in general has been faithfully and efficiently carried forward during the present year and it is pleasant to testify of the zeal and interest manifested by the different professors, not only in their class-room work, but also in the general welfare of the students individually and collectively. The scientific equipment of the college is quite ample for the present needs of the institution. There is room for enlargement and improvement, especially in the college library, which could render much more efficient service if larger means for the purchase of books were at hand. The report of the librarian will give detailed information concerning the work of the library during the present year. The museum has been furnished with a set of new cases and the valuable collection of minerals in possession of the college is now being arranged in such a way as to be available for use and study. The additions made to the department of physics in the equipment of the electrical department have added much to the efficient working of this department. On the whole, it may be said, without fear of contradiction, that there are few, if any, colleges of the size of Franklin and Marshall that offer better equipment or facilities in the lines of biology, chemistry and physics than are available here for all who choose to avail themselves of them.

A careful scrutiny of the class rolls reveals some interesting facts. In the first place, whilst the whole number of students has increased to a very satisfactory degree, it is apparent that a considerable proportion of the number are not candidates for a degree, but come under the head of special students. Their purpose is not to get a complete liberal educa-

tion, but such preliminary knowledge in different departments of study as will enable them to enter to the best advantage upon courses of professional or technical study. The college, of course, is glad to offer such facilities as are at hand to all who are in a position to make use of them, and a few years ago the Board of Trustees specifically resolved that encouragement be offered to young men to make use of the splendid scientific equipment now at hand since the completion of the Science Building. It will be found that at least ten per cent. of the whole number of students come under this head and that their work is taken mainly with the Freshmen and Sophomore classes. The reason is not far to seek and the circumstances are such as to warrant the inference that the proportion will increase. The fact is, that the policy pursued especially by medical colleges, to lengthen the course of study in medicine and to refuse to make allowance in time for work done in the literary colleges, be it ever so thorough and meritorious, in the nature of the case, discourages young men from taking a full college course. It places the college student, in respect to the length of time required in his medical course, on the same plane with the graduate of an ordinary high school or academy, who is barely prepared to enter the Freshman class. Young men find, by their own experience, when they get to a medical school, that they need certain preliminary training before they can advantageously pursue a course of medical study, and, therefore, they are willing to take one or two years in college before they go to a medical school. It ought to be evident to all thoughtful persons that a young man whose mind is well disciplined and whose judgment matured by careful training in a course of liberal study, and one who has learned how to work successfully in a laboratory, will accomplish much more in less time than his fellow student who has had no such advantage. This policy of the medical colleges, therefore, is most unfortunate. It lays stress upon the wrong end of training for a successful career in professional life. Recently, however, the University of Pennsylvania has taken a step in advance by requiring a higher order of preparation for entrance upon the medical course, and it is proposed to

advance requirements for entrance until they shall include at least two years of college work. It is a pity that medical colleges cannot all range themselves with Harvard and Johns Hopkins, which require a full course of collegiate study as a preliminary requirement. But, taking things as they are, it is of the highest importance, as has already been said, that the work done in all the departments of collegiate study should be thorough and adequate for all the requirements which will be made upon it, and to this end, the number of men engaged in this work must be sufficient to do it full justice without overworking those who have charge of it. The highest degree of efficiency will not only redound to the credit of the college, but it will also be the best advertisement and the surest recommendation of the institution.

1. As stated in my report last year, our professors are all heavily taxed, and some of them are over-loaded with work, and help is urgently needed to make the instruction full and thorough in all the departments. There ought to be especially an additional man so as to re-arrange the work in the mathematical department and make room for a re-adjustment of study in other directions. I would respectfully recommend that such an addition to the faculty be made as early as possible. In another respect, also, the professors are heavily taxed, and they ought to be relieved as soon as possible. It is well known that the cost of living has greatly advanced, and it needs no argument to prove that a salary of, say \$1,500 a year, is not adequate compensation for a college professor. The time and money spent in qualifying himself for his work, the importance of maintaining a certain standard of living, the necessity of buying books to keep abreast with the progress made in his department of study and the desirability of keeping in touch with associations for the advancement of learning and educational bodies, make demands upon the resources of a live teacher which cannot be met at this rate of compensation. While, perhaps, nothing can be done in this line immediately, it is certainly to be hoped that the way will open speedily for an improvement in this respect.

2. So far as the financial situation is concerned, it is only

possible at this time to report progress. Information has been received during the year that by the will of Samuel Fouse, deceased, of Somerset, Pa., the college has been made the residuary legatee of the estate. No doubt, the Finance Committee will look after the interests of the college in this matter. Detailed figures will be furnished in the reports of the treasurer and of my assistant, Mr. Hartman. The work of securing contributions in the field for the general endowment fund and of raising the required amount for the erection of the new Academy building has been going on as rapidly as possible and with reasonable success, quite as much success as could be expected under existing conditions. Both Mr. Hartman and Mr. Buchheit have been rendering efficient service, both in securing funds and in bringing the interests of the college before the people in a way that will inure largely to the advantage of the college in the future. The work ought to go forward without let or hindrance, not only until the \$150,000 are pledged, but until the amount is actually secured for the endowment fund, over and above the cost of collection and the amount required to repay what was advanced for the wiping out of the debt on the Science Building. The prospects of having a new Academy building and a larger preparatory school offers a most encouraging outlook for the future of the college; but the situation is such that special efforts will have to be put forth on behalf of the Academy, and Mr. Hartman's time and labors will be needed for that interest. Again, a large portion of the territory from which additions to the endowment fund are expected has been canvassed, and, whilst there is ample room for work, it is hardly possible to secure an open door so as to keep two men at work. It is, therefore, recommended that during the summer vacation Mr. Hartman be retained in his present position to canvass for new students for the college and academy, to supervise the erection of the new building and to secure additional funds for the college endowment and for the new building; that after the opening of the next college year, in September, he be allowed to devote his time mainly to the management of the academy, to collecting additional funds for the new building, and to teaching, and

that his salary from the college be discontinued after that date. I would, however, recommend that, on account of his familiarity with the present financial work, with the field in which it is done, and with certain situations that should develop to the advantage of the college, some arrangement be made whereby Mr. Hartman may have authority during the coming year to collect the pledges hitherto secured and to give such direction and assistance in the prosecution of the endowment movement as his work at the academy may permit. To continue the work in the field during the coming year until it is carried to a successful issue, it is recommended that the services of Mr. Buchheit be retained to prosecute the work and to render such general assistance in the field as may be required.

The Faculty has found it necessary to adopt and enforce new regulations concerning absences from recitations and from college. The rules hitherto in force have been revised and extracts from the same, together with the new regulations, have been printed in pamphlet form to be put into the hands of the students for their information and guidance. A copy of this pamphlet is herewith submitted.

3. Courses of instruction in the English Bible have been arranged for all the college classes, two of the classes taking up Old Testament studies and two of them studies in the New Testament. These classes have been conducted by the President and Dr. William C. Schaeffer, of the Theological Seminary. Dr. Schaeffer has rendered very efficient service and he is willing to continue, at least for another year, under existing conditions. He has done this work gratuitously, feeling the very great importance of it, and his self-denying labors deserve the grateful recognition of the college.

4. It is hoped that the personnel of the faculty will, in the main, continue as it was last year, and, after consultation with the Committee of Instruction and their approval, I recommend that Prof. Beck be re-appointed to the chair of assistant professor in chemistry, Prof. Chambers, the authorities of the Theological Seminary concurring, to the chair of oratory, and Mr. McLaughlin as physical instructor and director of the gymnasium, on the same conditions as last year.

5. The following members of the Senior Class received the degree of A.B.:

David Frederick Aungst,
Arthur Wilbert Barley,
Paul Jared Bickel,
Robert Crane Byerly,
Robert Henry DeLong,
John Alvin Ditzler,
James Wolf Evans,
Rodney Yonkers Gilbert,
Walter Leopold Graul,
William Chester Greenawalt,
Alfred David Horne,
James Meredith Irwin,
Richard Fulton Kieffer,
Waldemar Frederick Krumbein,
John Nevin Land,
Carl Graydon Leech,

Homer Deems Leh,
William Lawson Machmer,
Ira Snively Monn,
James Blaine Musser,
Willis Stanley Nichols,
Lewis Evans Riegner,
Horace Albert Shiffer,
Robert Barclay Simmons, Jr.,
Howard Ernest Slagenhaup,
John F. Marchand Snyder,
Frederick Keller Stamm,
James Ralph Ush,
H. Highberger Whitehead,
Bernard Lichtner Whitmore,
Wm. McCullough Workman,
Paul Daniel Yoder,

Robert Mathias Zacharias.

The following members of the Senior class received the degree of Ph.B.:

Grover Cleveland Chandlee,
Winfield Peter DeLong,
Ward Vinton Evans,
Horace Foster Ewing,
Hiram Ward Fisher,
Thomas Jefferson Geist,

Grover Cleveland Holder,
Horace Mann Hull,
James Frederick Magee,
Linnæus Landis Reist,
Melvin George Welker,
John Edwin Danaher.

6. The following two gentlemen, having completed, with credit, the prescribed course of study and complied with all the conditions and regulations provided, are hereby recommended by the Faculty for the degree of Ph.D.: Rev. Geo. A. Butz and Rev. H. M. J. Klein.

7. The following honorary degrees are recommended: D.D., Rev. Prof. Christopher Noss and Rev. Oscar S. Kriebel.

8. The President of the College, as a member of the International Sunday-School Lesson Committee, feeling the importance of attending the World's Sunday-School Convention, to be held in Rome, May 17th, and a joint meeting of the American and British Sections of the Lesson Committee, in London, June 21st, asked the officers of the Board of Trustees and the Committee on Instruction for leave of absence, which was cheerfully granted. He regrets very much that this will necessitate his absence from the present Commencement, but the circumstances seem not only to warrant, but to require attendance at these meetings, and he hopes that the Board of Trustees will excuse his absence.

With best wishes for a successful Commencement, this report is respectfully submitted.

JOHN S. STAHR.

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT.

At the request of the President and Faculty, the undersigned occupies the position of President *ad interim* during the absence of Dr. Stahr. He is pleased to report that the condition of the college continues satisfactory, and that he has been treated with all possible courtesy and respect by professors and students. It becomes his duty to announce to the Board that Dr. Frank Clifton Smith has resigned the professorship of Modern Languages, in a communication dated on the 11th day of May, and that it will be the duty of the Board to take such action as may be necessary under the circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,

JOS. H. DUBBS.

(b) Annual Report of the Treasurer of Franklin and Marshall College, June 6, 1906, to May 15, 1907.

SECURITIES COMPRISING THE SEVERAL ENDOWMENT FUNDS OF FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE.

Irwin Electric Light and Power Co.....	\$500 00
Consolidated Telephone Cos. of Pennsylvania.....	600 00
Pennsylvania Railroad Co., Consolidated, mortgage.....	1,000 00
Pennsylvania Railroad Co., Collateral Trust Notes, \$15,000	14,878 12
Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., Consolidated, mortgage.....	3,000 00
West End Street Railway Co.....	9,500 00
Baltimore Traction Co.....	5,000 00
Reading Company, Jersey Central, \$8,000, @ 95.....	7,600 00
Conestoga Traction Company, \$15,000, @ 87.....	13,050 00
Western Maryland Railroad Company, \$5,000, @ 90½....	4,525 00
Seaboard Air Line Railroad Company, \$5,000, @ 83.....	4,150 00
Imperial Japanese Gov't, \$10,000, @ 91½, \$11,000, @ 93½.	19,447 50
Sundry Mortgages	126,350 00
Sundry Judgments	450 00
Corporation Bond, St. James P. E. Church, Lancaster, Pa..	4,500 00
Interest-bearing Certificate of Deposit.....	3,000 00
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	\$217,550 62

ENDOWMENT FUNDS, ETC.

Franklin and Marshall College Endowment Fund, including the contributions of Philip Daubenspeck, \$3,000, and the Misses Tice, \$1,000, on which an Annuity is paid.....	\$173,969 19
Presidency Endowment	40,000 00
Audenried Professorship Endowment	33,550 00
Alumni Professorship Endowment.....	6,246 58
Daniel Scholl Observatory Endowment.....	10,000 00

L. H. Diehl Trust Fund Endowment.....	2,000 00
Paul Heine Endowment—German Alcove in Library Building	1,000 00
Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Buchheit Endowment—Moral Science Alcove in Library Building	1,000 00
John W. Wetzel Prize Fund	250 00
R. K. Buehrle Prize Fund	200 00
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	\$268,215 77

J. W. B. BAUSMAN, Treasurer of Franklin and Marshall College, Fourteenth Annual Account, from June 6, 1906, to May 15, 1907:

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1906.		
June 6. To cash, as reported in last account.....	\$11,141 76	
To cash received for following objects:		
Library Fund—Out of Contingent Fund.....		400 00
Department of Physics—		
Out of Contingent Fund	\$250 00	
Geo. W. Wagner, Esq., for Comparator and Micrometer Microscope.....	40 00	
For Examination Fees	2 00	
Wm. H. Keller, Esq., for two Balances and their Weights	25 00	
Mrs. Catharine Buchheit, for Magnatometer..	40 00	
	<hr/>	357 00
Department of Natural Sciences—		
Out of Contingent Fund.....	\$300 00	
Paul C. Wolff, Biological Fund.....	200 00	
	<hr/>	500 00
Contingent Fund—		
College Contingent Fees, balance from last year	\$127 65	
Diploma Fees	12 00	
College Contingent Fees, current year.....	12,900 00	
	<hr/>	\$13,039 65
Less amounts paid Library Fund Depts., Physics and Natural Science, as above.....	950 00	
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Interest—The income from all investments.....	9,754 41	
Science Building—Hon. W. U. Hensel.....	5,000 00	
Fund for Applied Electricity—Hon. Geo. F. Baer, for this fund	750 00	
Alumni Professorship Endowment—John R. Hoffman, Pottsville, Pa.	100 00	
Alcove of Moral Science—Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Buchheit, to endow Alcove in Library Building	1,000 00	
Hamilton Land Addition—E. H. Kauffman, one year's rent of grounds	255 00	
Expenses—		
Hon. Geo. F. Baer, current year's salary Professor of Modern Languages.....	\$1,500 00	
Helm & Hartman, proportion of Stenographer's Salary	120 00	
Repayment of bill for Lawn Grass Seed, paid in a former bill.....	1 75	
	<hr/>	1,621 75

F. and M. Academy, New Building—

Hon. J. Hay Brown	\$1,000 00	
H. S. Williamson	1,000 00	
Israel B. Shreiner	500 00	
Cyrus T. Barnhart	500 00	
B. F. Fackenthal, Jr.	500 00	
E. M. Hartman	500 00	
Hon. H. M. North	500 00	
W. R. Barnhart	500 00	
Mrs. and Miss Wolff and Paul C. Wolff	1,250 00	
The aggregate of other contributions—fifty in number	3,365 00	
		<hr/> 9,615 00

F. and M. College Endowment—

James T. Reber	\$500 00	
Mrs. Matilda Chidsey	500 00	
Miss Clara V. Tice—on which the college pays an annuity	500 00	
Miss Nannie B. Tice—on which the college pays an annuity	500 00	
The aggregate of other contributions—over four hundred in number	10,666 75	
		<hr/> 12,666 75

\$65,251 32

Investments Paid

7,148 80

\$72,400 12

Increase in Endowment Fund last year

\$5,288 91

(This increase remains after the debt of \$10,478.74 on the Science Building, reported last year, was charged to Endowment Fund.)

Expenses in excess of income, year ending May 15, 1907

2,583 85

Expenses in excess of income, previous year

2,738 55

Total deficit on Ledger to May 15, 1907

24,512 54

STATEMENT.

General Endowment	\$268,215 77
Academy—New Building	7,249 33
Museum Account	814 57
Library Building	500 00
Diehl Trust	90 00
Sundry Departments of the College	2,088 62
Salary Accounts	4,175 00
	<hr/> \$283,133 29

Investments

\$217,550 62

Profit and loss

24,512 54

Hamilton Land Addition

31,406 90

Wilhelm Compromise

39 77

Cash on hand

9,623 46

\$283,133 29

Pledges payable after the death of the giver are held by the Treasurer to the amount of \$8,425.

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By cash paid for following objects:	
Library Fund—Paid the Librarian for this Fund.....	\$400 00
Department of Physics—Paid for Supplies, Instruments, etc., for this Department.....	326 64
Department of Natural Science—Paid for Supplies, Instru- ments, etc., for this Department.....	312 75
Fund for Applied Electricity—Paid for Supplies, Instru- ments, etc., for this Department.....	135 34
Theological Seminary Reformed Church in the United States—Paid its proportion of net income from Wilhelm Lands, year ending June 6, 1906.....	613 99
Hamilton Land Addition—Paid S. Z. Moore, Esq., services and commission in sale of 30½ acres, including his expenses	100 00
Interest—	
Paid Philip Daubenspeck, Annuity to Febru- ary 1, 1907	\$150 00
Paid Nannie B. and Clara V. Tice, Annuity to March 27, 1907.....	25 00
Paid accrued interest on sundry investments made	186 94
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	361 94
Daniel Scholl Observatory Account—Paid for sundry bills for this Department.....	53 87
Expenses—	
Paid for account of salaries	\$18,917 75
Stationery, Postage, Advertising, etc., \$728.49; expenses of Gymnasium, \$90.55.....	819 04
Fuel and Light, Main Building, \$369.30; Science Building, \$696.84.....	1,066 14
Repairs and Supplies College, \$166.39; Painting College, per contract, \$562.....	728 39
Repairs and Supplies Science Building, \$117.30; Fuel and Light, Library Building, \$157.05..	274 35
Repairs, etc., Janitor's House, \$21.26; two Lawn Mowers, \$19.....	40 26
Lancaster General Hospital, cards for admis- sion of students	266 00
German Medal, \$10; Wetzel Medal, \$12; Tele- phone Service, \$19.50.....	41 50
Tuning Organ, \$20; Music, Commencement and Contests, \$68; Insurance, \$18.30.....	106 30
Anthropometric Apparatus for Gymnasium, \$86.49; Athletic Association, \$1,045	1,131 49
Expenses to Intercollegiate Convention of Ath- letic Associations	14 61
State Anatomical Board, two subjects, \$60; Miscellaneous Expenses, \$95.64.....	155 64
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	23,561 47
F. and M. College Endowment—Salaries and Ex- penses of E. M. Hartman and J. F. Buchheit.....	4,227 10
F. and M. Academy, New Building—	
City of Lancaster, cost of passage Council Ordi- nance, No. 4, Vacating West End Avenue, Frederick St. to Harrisburg Avenue.....	\$10 55
Fee Second Prize in Competitive Drawings...	75 00
Preliminary Sketches, Photographs and Prize Money	161 25

Hauling Clay, \$49.70; Recording Agreement with Contractor, \$1.....	50 70	
Excavating	225 00	
Mason Work, \$2,568.17; Architect, on account, \$2,025	4,593 17	
		5,115 67
Wilhelm Compromise—Road, Bond and School Taxes, on lands in Elk Lick Township, Somerset County		39 77
		<hr/> \$35,248 54
Investments—New Investments Made.....	27,528 12	
May 15, 1907—Cash on hand.....	9,623 46	
		<hr/> \$72,400 12

The above account of J. W. B. Bausman, Treasurer, together with the list of securities held by him, were read and examined by the Finance Committee of Franklin and Marshall College, at a meeting held May 17, 1907, and were found correct, and the bills paid by him during the year ending May 15, 1907, were approved.

JOHN D. SKILES,
CHAS. F. RENGIER, JR., JAMES SHAND,
W. U. HENSEL, H. S. WILLIAMSON,
Members of the Finance Committee.

Lancaster, Pa., May 17, 1907.

Report of the Principals of Franklin and Marshall Academy.

TO THE ACADEMY COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE:

The work and conditions at the Academy during the past year were about the same as they have been for the last three or four years, the accommodations not allowing of any further material growth of the school. The attendance during the past year, from April to April, was two hundred, and from September to June, one hundred and forty-two. This includes fifty-seven Seniors, sixty-nine Middlers and sixteen Juniors. This enrollment maintains the usual proportion of about two boarding students to three day students. As has been the case for some years, a number of students were obliged to room outside of the Academy building. The Academy incurs an extra expense of about \$35 a year for every boarding student that cannot be accommodated in the Academy building. The arrangement of having students

room outside is also unsatisfactory for reasons of work and discipline.

Of the Senior class, forty have passed all their work satisfactorily so as to receive the Academy diploma. The indications are that these men will be applicants for admission to colleges as follows: University of Pennsylvania, 1; Muhlenberg, 1; Roanoke College, 1; Lehigh University, 5; State College, 7; and Franklin and Marshall, 25. The Academy annually sends an unusually large proportion of its enrollment to college, as compared with most schools of the same kind. Last year we reported that for the first time in the history of the Academy more than one-half of the Seniors were preparing for a technical course. We are glad to report that in this year's class the classical students again outnumber the technical students as usual, less than one-third taking technical courses and over two-thirds the Classical and Latin Scientific.

On the whole, our teachers rendered good and faithful service during the past year. There were several changes in the teaching force as it was constituted the previous year. We regretted very much to lose the competent head of the English Department, Mr. Kraybill, who resigned his position to accept the principalship of the Lancaster Boys' High School. Mr. Oliver Schaeffer succeeded him. On the other hand, we were fortunate in securing Mr. Calvin N. Wenrich to take charge of the department of Mathematics. He came from Carthage College, Illinois, where he had been head of the department of Mathematics and Physics. He rendered very efficient service during the past year. With the opening of the new building, we will need a larger teaching force. It is our purpose to secure the best men possible as heads of the various departments, and to make their positions more permanent than has been possible heretofore.

No improvements were made on the old building during the past year beyond the usual necessary repairs, which are essential to keeping the building in good condition.

The contract for the erection of the new building includes an article which calls for the completion of the building in time to be occupied by the school at the opening of the coming school year, in September. It is somewhat uncer-

tain whether this can be accomplished. We have, however, laid our plans in the way of liberal advertising and considerable canvassing to secure a larger student body for the coming year. If these efforts succeed in bringing the results we expect, the situation may be embarrassing if the new building is not ready when the Academy opens in the fall. Yet it would be more unfortunate to have the money invested in the building without any returns during the coming year. We are, therefore, counting on securing an enrollment commensurate with the accommodations of the new building, and devising some expedient to care for the student body temporarily in case the building is not entirely ready to be occupied when school opens.

We give the following as approximate estimates of the items of expense incurred in connection with the new building: Building foundations, \$2,600; main contract for the erection of the building, \$81,225; extras caused by changes, \$500; architect's fees, \$4,000; grading, \$2,000; electric light and gas fixtures, and furniture and equipment, \$10,000; total, \$100,325. This may be somewhat more than the Board expected this building to cost, but it contains no feature that it would be policy to omit, and the building is not at all too large. The fact that several of the bids for the erection of the building were as much as fifty per cent. higher than the bid of the contractor accepted is indication that the Board is receiving good value for the money it is putting into the building. Toward this amount we have pledges aggregating about \$73,000.

Since the endowment work to which Mr. Hartman has devoted his time largely during the last four years, has advanced to a point where it is practicable to leave it mainly in the hands of one man, and the services of Mr. Buchheit may be counted on to carry it to its completion, it is hoped that Mr. Hartman can be released from his present duties to such an extent as to give most of his time to the financial and executive work of the Academy and to teaching there during the coming year.

Respectfully submitted,

THADDEUS G. HELM,
EDWIN M. HARTMAN.

**Statement of Subscriptions and Payments Made June, 1903, to
June 7, 1907, for Increasing the Endowment of Franklin and
Marshall College, and for the Erection of a New Build-
ing for Franklin and Marshall Academy.**

**EASTERN SYNOD.
(For Endowment.)**

<i>Charges.</i>	<i>Subscribed.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>
New Goshenhoppen, Montgomery Co.....	\$1,650.00	\$1,600.00
McKeensburg, Schuylkill Co.....	115.00	90.00
Allentown, St. John's.....	1,235.00	885.00
Allentown, Salem's.....	750.00	700.50
Allentown, Zion's.....	200.00	100.00
Reading, St. Paul's.....	6,640.00	3,330.00
Reading, Second Church.....	810.00	410.00
Reading, First Church.....	975.00	625.00
Reading, St. Stephen's.....	325.00	100.00
Reading, Olivet and Epler's.....	395.00	125.00
Reading, St. Andrew's.....	2,485.00	385.00
Howertown, Northampton Co.....	400.00	400.00
Kutztown, Berks Co.....	410.00	195.00
Congregation not named.....	10,655.00	10,455.00
Riegelsville.....	*5,150.00	5,150.00
Hummelstown, Dauphin Co.....	325.00	300.00
Harrisburg, Salem's.....	1,555.00	655.00
Lansdale, Montgomery Co.....	200.00	90.00
Fort Washington, Montgomery Co.....	500.00	500.00
Lykens Valley Charge, Dauphin Co.....	147.00	105.00
Bernville, Berks Co.....	195.00	145.00
Pottstown, Trinity.....	500.00	297.50
Egypt Charge, Lehigh Co.....	810.00	680.00
Lower Saucon Charge, Northampton Co.....	405.00	280.00
Applebachsville, Bucks Co.....	75.00	75.00
Easton, First Church.....	1,010.00	810.00
Nittany Valley Charge, Center Co.....	570.00	348.00
Quakertown, Bucks Co.....	320.00	90.00
Richlandtown, Bucks Co.....	240.00	160.00
North Wales, Montgomery Co.....	†550.00	375.00
New Holland Charge, Lancaster Co.....	758.00	578.00
Hamburg, Berks Co.....	415.00	300.00
Salem (Heller's), Lancaster Co.....	1,562.00	475.00
South Bethlehem, Northampton Co.....	505.00	270.00
Sunbury, First Church.....	1,303.00	1,065.00
Allentown, Salisbury.....	502.00	252.00
Mahanoy Charge, Schuylkill Co.....	600.00	420.00
West Leesport Charge, Berks Co.....	1,051.50	773.00
Old Goshenhoppen, Montgomery Co.....	977.50	757.50
Mifflinburg, Union Co.....	1,911.00	560.00
Shenandoah, Schuylkill Co.....	494.00	74.00
Spinnerstown Charge, Montgomery Co.....	871.00	276.00
White Deer Charge, Union Co.....	325.00	105.00
Freeland, Schuylkill Co.....	116.50	116.50
Siegfried, Northampton Co.....	260.00	185.00
Annville, Lebanon Co.....	1,425.00	25.00

* Additional for Academy building, \$1,500.

† Additional for Academy building, \$100.

Telford, Bucks Co.	95.00	\$5.00
Bellefonte, Center Co.....	†275.00	100.00
Total	\$53,044.00	\$35,798.00

† Additional for Academy building, \$100.

PITTSBURGH SYNOD.
(For Endowment.)

<i>Charges.</i>	<i>Subscribed.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>
Pittsburgh, St. Mark's.....	*\$1,405.00	\$1,305.00
Greensburg, Second Church.....	†2,150.00	1,100.00
Greensburg, First Church.....	‡640.00	200.00
Meyersdale, Amity	‡700.00	200.00
Zion's (Hays), Somerset Co.	1,700.00	1,150.00
Evans City, Butler Co.....	35.00	25.00
Jeannette, Westmoreland Co.	520.00	265.00
Beaver Charge, Clarion Co.....	815.00	755.00
Berlin, Somerset Co.	450.00	225.00
Somerset, Somerset Co.	1,255.00	600.00
Brush Creek Charge, Westmoreland Co.	1,587.00	1,062.00
Mt. Pleasant Charge, Westmoreland Co.....	1,505.00	730.00
St. Paul's and St. John's, Somerset Co.....	670.00	330.00
Stoney Creek Charge, Somerset Co.....	245.50	115.50
Red Bank Charge, Clarion Co.....	757.00	517.00
St. Petersburg Charge, Clarion Co.....	827.00	437.00
Paradise Charge, Jefferson Co.....	2,040.00	1,660.00
Shenango Charge, Mercer Co.	176.50	150.50
Emlenton Charge, Clarion Co.....	830.00	690.00
Dubois Charge, Clearfield Co.	1,336.00	676.00
New Hamburg, Mercer Co.....	110.00	80.00
Seagerstown, Crawford Co.	117.00	72.00
Greenville, Mercer Co.	535.00	345.00
Meadville, Crawford Co.....	290.00	45.00
Union Hill, Crawford Co.....	100.00	25.00
Butler, St. Paul's.....	5,208.00	3,118.00
Butler, Bethany	210.00	110.00
Olivet, Butler Co.....	60.00	10.00
Sharpsville, Mercer Co.....	75.00	50.00
Pittsburgh, St. Paul's.....	125.00	6.00
Beams Charge, Somerset Co.....	320.00	220.00
Hyndman, Bedford Co.	250.00	
Elk Lick, Somerset Co.....	300.00	25.00
Wilkinsburg, Trinity.....	1,275.00	175.00
Frostburg, Md.....	318.50	184.00
Stoyestown, Somerset Co.	1,893.00	303.00
Sugar Creek Charge, Armstrong Co.....	330.00	202.00
Latrobe, Westmoreland Co.....	536.00	271.00
Pleasant Unity, Westmoreland Co.....	405.00	270.00
Denmark, Manor Charge, Westmoreland Co..	355.00	100.00
Total	\$32,455.50	\$17,804.00

* Additional for Academy building, \$1,250.

† Additional for Academy building, \$500.

‡ Additional for Academy building, \$500.

‡ Additional for Academy building, \$1,000.

POTOMAC SYNOD.
(For Endowment.)

<i>Charges.</i>	<i>Subscribed.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>
Chambersburg, Zion's.....	\$532.25	\$532.25
Frederick, Md., Evangelical Reformed	7,575.00	7,505.00
Hagerstown, Md., Zion's	1,635.00	1,452.50
Manchester, Md.	87.00	2.00
New Bloomfield, Perry Co.....	180.00	180.00
Mercersburg, Franklin Co.....	435.00	240.00
Everett, Bedford Co.	450.00	
Carlisle, Cumberland Co.....	*350.00	45.00
Martinsburg, W. Va.....	515.00	330.00
Greencastle, Grace, Franklin Co.....	760.00	530.00
Duncannon and Marysville, Perry Co.....	550.00	300.00
Shrewsbury Charge, York Co.....	1,850.00	245.00
Glen Rock Charge, York Co.....	170.00	80.00
Clearspring, Md.....	635.00	310.00
Sulphur Springs Charge, Bedford Co.....	395.00	70.00
Cavetown, Md.....	535.00	352.00
St. Thomas Charge, Franklin Co.....	271.00	61.00
St. Clairsville Charge, Bedford Co.....	2,315.00	477.50
Altoona, Trinity	1,245.00	264.00
Newport, Perry Co.....	1,026.25	721.25
York, Trinity.....	3,858.00	855.00
York, Grace	1,145.00	165.00
Manor Charge, Adamstown, Md.....	309.50	304.50
Alexandria, Water Street Charge.....	436.00	206.00
Mechanicsburg, St. Paul's	90.00	30.00
Huntingdon, Pa.	1,360.00	151.00
Washington, D. C., Grace	325.00	16.66
Baltimore, Third Church.....	†260.00	125.00
Total	\$29,295.00	\$15,550.66

* Additional for Academy building, \$250.

† Additional for Academy building, \$525.

<i>TOTALS.</i>	<i>Subscribed.</i>	<i>Paid.</i>
Eastern Synod.....	\$53,044.00	\$35,798.00
Pittsburgh Synod	32,455.00	17,804.00
Potomac Synod.....	29,295.00	15,550.66
Alumni and Miscellaneous.....	34,669.50	22,929.25
	\$149,463.50	\$92,081.91
Less amounts counted twice.....	9,065.00	3,514.75
	\$140,398.50	\$89,567.16
For Academy building.....	74,080.00	12,565.00
Grand Total	\$214,478.50	\$102,132.16

Most of the unpaid endowment subscriptions come due in the course of the next two years.

Most of the unpaid Academy subscriptions are payable any time, upon request.

The above work has been done at an expense to date of a little less than six per cent. of the total amount pledged.

(c) Report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

BRETHREN: The Board of Visitors met in annual session May 6-8, 1907, and re-organized by the election of Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., President, and the undersigned Secretary. From the report of the faculty and the transactions of the Board, we present the following items for your consideration:

1. The Seminary year began September 12, 1906. No interruption by reason of illness on the part of either the professors or students occurred, except in the one case mentioned in item 2, and the work of the institution proceeded satisfactorily through the year. The following nine students were enrolled in the Junior Class:

John Samuel Adam,
Thomas Henry Bachman,
Roy Harbaugh Dotterer,
William Seibert Gerhard,
William Franklin Ginder,

Henry Albert Hartman,
Roy Vincent Hartman,
William Franklin Kosman,
Joseph Solon Peters,

all of whom are college graduates.

2. The Middle Class numbered eight instead of the twelve enrolled last year as Juniors. Of this class, two were special students and have discontinued for lack of time to carry on their Seminary studies in connection with ministerial duties, viz: Rev. Jno. W. Ault and Rev. Jno. W. Klein. John J. Marcks was obliged to leave temporarily on account of ill health, and Theodore F. Rupp has decided it best to engage in other work.

3. The Senior Class numbered ten, all of whom are college graduates, with the exception of one, who has done excellent work as a special student. Of this class, Morris G. Schucker continued absent by permission, with the understanding that he would complete his course at a later time. The number of graduates from the Seminary is, therefore, nine, viz:

James Alfred Boehm,
Daniel David Brendle,
Lee Marcus Erdman,
Alfred Jasper Herman,
Jonas Leidy Yearick.

John Nathan LeVan,
Charles Edgar Rupp,
Paul Bertram Rupp,
Dennis Sipple.

4. The examinations of the students were satisfactory, and the testimonial was granted to the Seniors, and the

other classes were advanced, respectively, to the Middle and Senior Classes.

5. There has been no case of discipline during the year. The students made a good record in study, conduct and activity in Christian work.

6. The name of L. Nevin Wilson, who has been absent by permission, has been dropped from the roll.

7. The two boards, in conjunction with the Faculty, have secured a new testimonial for the Seminary, printed from a steel plate and on parchment. The plate was engraved by the Dreka Company, Philadelphia, and is a great improvement over the old one.

8. It will be noticed from the above figures that there were only twenty-six students in the Seminary during the year; or, including the one absent by permission and the one absent on account of ill health, there was a total of twenty-eight students. This is a matter of regret and is so presented in the report of the faculty. That we share this evil in common with almost all other similar institutions, shows that the evil lies beyond the Seminary; it is a condition of our times. The faculty and board united in commending the observance of Seminary Day by our pastors, with the hope that the office and work of the Christian ministry would be so presented as to lead promising young men to consecrate themselves to the service of God in this special form.

9. A course of six lectures was given by Dr. Swander, on the Dogma of the Lord's Divinity; a course of lectures was delivered by Rev. Dr. Hammill, under the auspices of the Pennsylvania Sunday-School Association; and Rev. Dr. Chambers continued his instructions as Professor of Oratory. The three Synods are respectfully overtured to appropriate \$750.00 for the course in Oratory, in the same sums as were, respectively voted for the above purpose one year ago viz: Eastern Synod, \$375.00; Pittsburg Synod, \$125.00; Synod of the Potomac, \$250.00.

10. Rev. John C. Bowman, D.D., continued his work of canvassing for the further endowment of the Seminary, and spent most of his time in the field. He had charge of the Seniors in Pastoral Theology. The rest of his work was cared

for by Professors, Richards, Schaeffer and Noss. The additional labors of all these professors were cheerfully rendered and greatly appreciated by the Board.

11. A paper in reference to the general interest of the Seminary, and suggesting changes, was laid before the Board, and is hereby referred to your reverend body, together with action taken by the Board.

PAPER.

To the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States:

BRETHREN: The members of the Faculty desire to give expression of their appreciation of the services rendered the institution by their colleague, the Rev. Dr. J. C. Bowman, who has spent the last two years in working for an increase of the endowment. It is clearly a disagreeable task for one who has been chosen to fill a theological professorship. Yet the decreasing rates of interest, the purchase of property, the erection of professors' houses, and the larger needs of the Seminary generally, require that some one take the financial interests of the institution in hand. It is our conviction that on account of his natural qualifications, his wide experience and his present success, Dr. Bowman should be authorized by our Board to continue the work so long as the necessities of the Seminary require it. In the meantime the several branches of the Department of Practical Theology are to be in charge of the other members of the faculty. Dr. Bowman, however, is to continue his course of lectures on Pastoral Theology before the Senior Class, and perform such other class-room work as his time may allow.

Furthermore, in view of the fact that the Seminary needs to be represented on many occasions before the Church at large, it ought to have careful supervision of its buildings and grounds, as well as thorough internal organization and discipline, we beg leave to suggest to your Board that in place of the President of the Faculty, two officers be appointed, namely, a President of the Seminary and a Dean of the Faculty.

The President is to have charge of the external affairs of

the institution, preside at the meetings of the Faculty and at the services of anniversary week. He shall represent the Faculty before the Board of Trustees, and attend to such matters in the Church as will advance the general welfare of the Seminary.

The Dean is to have charge of the internal affairs of the institution. In the absence of the President, he shall preside at the meetings of the Faculty. He shall arrange the curriculum for each semester, represent the Faculty before the Board of Visitors and in the official relations between the students and the Faculty, such as the granting of excuses, giving leave of absence and preparing for special meetings and services throughout the year, etc. In co-operation with the President and another member of the Faculty to be appointed annually, he shall prepare the catalogue for publication and distribution. He shall also take charge of the Seminary announcements and advertisements in the secular and religious papers and periodicals.

It is the judgment of the Faculty that Professor J. C. Bowman, D.D., should be appointed President of the Seminary, and Professor William C. Schaeffer, D.D., Dean of the Faculty. This plan of organization is to become operative immediately after the eighty-second anniversary.

We respectfully submit these recommendations for your consideration and approval.

(Signed)

F. A. GAST,
President of the Faculty.

(Signed) GEORGE W. RICHARDS,
Secretary of the Faculty.

The following action was taken by the Board:

A. The Board of Visitors approves of Dr. Bowman's continuance in the financial agency and the arrangements which have been made by the Faculty for instruction in his department.

B. The Board of Visitors approves of the re-organization of the Faculty, by the election of a President of the Seminary and a Dean of the Faculty, with powers and responsibilities as defined in the paper submitted to the Board, and it ad-

vises the selection of Rev. Jno. C. Bowman, D.D., as President of the Seminary, and of Rev. Wm. C. Schaeffer, D.D., as Dean of the Faculty.

C. *Resolved*, That this action of the Board be submitted to the three Synods owning and controlling the Seminary at their next annual meetings for their approval and authorization.

12. The term of Rev. D. B. Lady, D.D., as a member of the Board expires 1907.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER, Secretary.

Harrisburg, Pa., October 1, 1907.

(d) Report of the Board of Trustees of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Enclosed find a copy of the annual report of John B. Roth, Treasurer of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa.

At the May meeting, the following officers were elected: President, John W. Appel, Esq.; Vice-President, John D. Skiles; Treasurer, John B. Roth; and Secretary, Jeremiah S. Hess.

The following preamble and resolution were adopted:

WHEREAS, There exists an inequality in the salaries of the Professors in the Seminary, and the cost of living has greatly increased of late years, and it is the sense of the Board that the salaries of the professors should be increased and equalized; therefore, be it

Resolved, That the Board of Trustees recommend to the Eastern Synod that the salaries of the Professors of Dogmatic Theology, of Church History and of Old Testament Theology be increased to the sum of two thousand (\$2,000.00) dollars a year, the increase to be raised by the Synod by an annual appropriation of fifteen hundred (\$1,500.00) dollars, for increase of professors' salaries, until such time as the permanent endowment shall be sufficient to meet it.

The following resolution was also adopted:

Resolved. That the Synods be requested as appropriate six thousand (\$6,000.00) dollars toward the payment of the deficit and the current expenses of the Seminary, in the following ratio:

Eastern Synod.....	\$3,000 00
Potomac Synod.....	2,000 00
Pittsburgh Synod	1,000 00

The term of William R. Barnhart expires in 1907.

Respectfully submitted,

JER. S. HESS, Secretary.

(c) Report of the Treasurer of the Eastern Theological Seminary.

JOHN B. ROTH, Treasurer, in account with the Theological Seminary of the Reformed Church in the United States:

1906.		Dr.	
Oct.	1.	For interest paid by C. S. Herr, to date.....	\$100 00
"	1.	For interest paid by Simon Shimler, to date.....	87 50
"	1.	On note account, John C. Bowman, D.D.....	100 00
"	2.	For interest paid by A. A. Fritz, to Oct. 1, 1906..	58 75
"	2.	For interest paid by W. J. Aikin, to Oct. 1, 1906..	30 00
"	5.	For interest paid by A. D. Conner, to Oct. 1, 1906..	137 50
"	5.	For interest paid by W. U. Hensel, Trustee, to Oct. 1, 1906.....	50 00
"	17.	For interest paid by Cook Legacy, to Oct. 1, 1906	30 00
"	17.	For interest paid by Kieffer Legacy, to Oct. 1, 1906	142 50
"	31.	For interest paid by Sunbury, H. & W., to Nov. 1, 1906	28 00
"	31.	For interest paid by Scranton, to Nov. 1, 1906....	30 00
"	31.	For interest paid by Harrisburg & Balto., to Nov. 1, 1906	25 00
"	31.	For interest paid by West End Traction.....	2 50
"	31.	For interest paid by Atlantic C. Co.....	15 00
Nov.	5.	Paid by Pontz, for wood.....	2 50
"	7.	Interest paid by John F. Basler, to Oct. 1, 1906..	12 25
"	14.	Interest paid by W. H. Rinier, on account.....	24 00
Nov.	22.	Interest paid by Rohrerstown, Landisville & Mount Joy Railway Company, to Oct. 1, 1906.....	15 00
"	30.	Pennsylvania Railroad Company, dividend to Nov. 1, 1906.....	175 00
"	30.	Interest on Washington & Lake Erie bonds.....	105 83
Dec.	1.	Interest on Lehigh Valley R. R. bonds, to date..	150 00
"	31.	Interest paid by Conestoga Traction Co., to Jan. 1, 1907.....	100 00
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Jan.	2.	Allemania Fire Ins. Co., dividend No. 60.....	25 00
"	5.	Interest on Kieffer Legacy, on account.....	27 50
"	18.	Interest paid by H. Wood Flinn, to Jan. 1, 1907..	62 50
"	31.	Interest on Salem Coal Co. bonds, to Feb. 1, 1907	25 00
Feb.	5.	Interest on Becker property, for 1906	44 97
"	12.	Interest paid by W. H. Rinier, on account	24 00
Mar.	2.	Interest paid on Springfield Water Co. bonds, to March 1, 1907.....	37 50

Mar.	2	Interest on Berwyn Water bonds, to March 1, 1907	\$60 00
"	2	Interest paid by Harrisburg Bridge Co., to Feb. 1, 1907	2 50
"	16	Interest on S. J. Johnson judgment, to April 1, 1907	75 00
"	20	Interest paid by A. D. Conner, to April 1, 1907	137 50
"	22	Interest paid by George W. Schroyer, to April 1, 1907	95 00
"	26	Interest paid by G. J. P. Raub, to April 1, 1907	175 00
"	26	Interest paid by A. A. Fritz, to April 1, 1907	58 75
"	30	Interest paid by John B. Roth, Jr., to April 1, 1907	112 50
"	30	Interest paid by J. C. Bowman, D.D., to April 1, 1907	20 00
"	30	Interest paid by J. C. Bowman, D.D., to April 1, 1907	12 50
"	30	J. C. Bowman, telephone, to July 1, 1907	3 00
"	30	Interest on C. S. Herr mortgage, to April 1, 1907	100 00
April	1	Interest paid by Mt. Joy & Lanc. Ry. Co., to date	15 00
"	1	Interest paid by Simon Shissler, to date	87 50
"	1	Interest paid by Ermentrout, on account	150 00
"	1	Interest paid by E. M. Eshleman, to date	120 00
"	1	Interest paid by F. Grant Wesley, to date	48 00
"	1	Interest paid by Lanc. Traction Co., to date	137 50
"	1	Interest paid by Reading Hardware Co., to date	5 00
"	1	Interest paid by H. Wood Flinn, to date	31 25
"	2	Interest paid by W. U. Hensel, Trustee, to April 1, 1907	50 00
"	2	Interest paid by Aaron Groff, to April 1, 1907	35 00
"	4	Interest paid on Kieffer Legacy, on account	172 50
"	4	Interest paid by C. E. & W. J. Aikins, to April 1, 1907	30 00
"	8	Interest paid by Lehigh Classis, to April 1, 1907	15 00
"	15	Interest paid by Sue R. Wolfersberger, to April 1, 1907	75 00
May	1	Interest paid by Baltimore & Harrisburg Ry. Co., to date	25 00
"	1	Interest paid by Scranton Traction Co., to date	30 00
"	1	Interest paid by Sunbury, Hazleton & Wilkes-Barre Co., to date	28 00
"	1	Interest paid by Atlantic Coke Co., to date	15 00
"	1	Interest paid by West End Traction Co., to date	2 50
"	4	Interest on Cook legacy, to April 1, 1907	30 00
May	4	Interest on Kieffer legacy, on account	37 50
"	11	Interest paid by Coulter, R., Jr., & Henry W., to May 1, 1907	210 00
"	17	Interest paid by W. H. Rinier, on account	24 00
"	21	Interest paid by Amos Christ, to April 1, 1907	90 00
"	31	Pennsylvania Railroad Co., dividend, to May 1, 1907	175 00
June	1	Lehigh Valley Railroad Co., dividend to date	150 00
"	1	Interest on Kieffer legacy, on account	27 50
"	12	Interest paid by John F. Bassler, to April 1, 1907	11 88
"	13	Interest paid by St. John's Reformed Church, Shamokin, to June 1, 1907	12 50
"	29	Interest paid by Conestoga Traction Co., to July 1, 1907	100 00
July	2	Interest paid by Allemania Fire Ins. Co., dividend, No. 61	25 00

Aug.	1.	Interest on Salem Coal Co. bonds, to date.....	\$25 00
"	1.	Interest on Harrisburg Bridge Co. bond, to date..	2 50
"	1.	Received for old lumber and posts sold.....	8 00
"	15.	Interest paid by W. H. Rinier, on account.....	30 00
Sept.	12.	Interest paid by A. E. Brackbill, on Aikin mortgage, to Oct. 1, 1907.....	30 00
"	16.	Interest on Springfield Water Co. bonds, to Sept. 1, 1907.....	37 50
"	16.	Interest on Berwyn Water Co. bonds, to Sept. 1, 1907.....	60 00
"	24.	Interest paid by John B. Roth, Jr., to Oct. 1, 1907	112 50
"	24.	Interest on Kieffer legacy, on account.....	62 50
"	24.	Interest paid by Geo. W. Schroyer, to Oct. 1, 1907	95 00
"	25.	Interest paid Endowment Fund by Seminary Aid Fund.....	1,870 31
"	25.	Balance of Aid Fund charged as income.....	1,916 57
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			\$8,735 06
Sept.	25.	Balance due Endowment Fund, to Oct. 1, 1907..	9,952 50
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			\$18,687 56

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Oct.	1.	By balance due Endowment Fund..... \$9,221 96
"	1.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for September .. 1 80
"	2.	Paid J. M. Chambers, salary for October, 1906... 50 00
"	3.	Paid Miss M. Malone, to October 1, 1906..... 12 00
"	3.	Paid J. B. Martin & Co., bill in full..... 40 39
"	8.	Paid Penna. Telephone Co., bill to Dec. 31, 1906.. 9 00
"	11.	Paid Postoffice box..... 1 00
"	11.	Paid Reilly Bros & Raub, bill..... 1 10
"	25.	Paid Seminary water rent, by meter, to Oct. 1, 1906..... 12 35
"	25.	Paid water rent, J. C. Bowman, to Oct. 1, 1906.. 1 15
"	26.	Paid on Perry Mort account..... 3 50
"	31.	Paid repairs at J. C. Bowman's house..... 9 86
Nov.	1.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for October, 1906 5 30
"	2.	Paid Intelligencer, bill of Oct. 11, 1906..... 3 00
"	2.	Paid J. M. Chambers, salary for November, 1906.. 50 00
"	5.	Paid Miss M. Malone, stenographer, to Nov. 1, 1906 12 00
"	5.	Paid repairs at Rev. C. Noss's house..... 23 00
"	6.	Paid F. A. Gast, D.D., on account of salary..... 200 00
Nov.	6.	Paid G. W. Richards, D.D., on account of salary.. 200 00
"	6.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, on account of salary..... 200 00
"	6.	Paid for stationery and stamps..... 2 50
"	7.	Paid Intelligencer, bill of October, 1906..... 6 25
"	8.	Paid Henry S. Rich, agent L. Co. Ins. Co. 5 75
"	10.	Draude & Bro., painting janitor's house..... 106 00
"	10.	Paid Prof. Irwin Hoch DeLong, in full..... 75 00
"	14.	Paid Lancaster Gas Company, bill of Nov. 1, 1906 1 50
"	17.	Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, on account..... 50 00
"	27.	Paid Draude & Bro., painting Dr. Bowman's house 77 00
"	30.	Paid Margaret Malone, stenographer..... 12 15
Dec.	1.	Paid Seminary Electric Light bill for November, 1906..... 4 85
"	3.	Paid Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary for December, 1906..... 50 00
"	3.	Paid F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1907.... 175 00

Dec.	3.	Paid G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to Jan. 1, 1907	\$175 00
"	3.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, salary to Jan. 1, 1907.....	175 00
"	4.	Paid Lane. Cement & Paving Co. (C. Noss).....	19 25
"	6.	Paid M. S. Falck, half bill of fence repairs	3 35
"	7.	Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, to Jan. 1, 1907....	75 00
"	8.	Paid W. S. Miller, painting at Dr. Richards.....	120 66
"	11.	Paid C. F. Auxer, repairs at J. C. Bowman's.....	8 38
"	21.	Paid A. B. Moore, repairs at Dr. Bowman's.....	3 15
"	22.	Paid F. D. Ponts, bill at Rev. C. Noss's.....	69 21
"	28.	Paid for postage stamps.....	5 00

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Jan.	3.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for Dec., 1906...	7 55
"	3.	Paid Prof. J. M. Chambers, for January, 1907...	50 00
"	4.	Paid Miss M. Malone, stenographer, to Jan. 1, 1907	12 00
"	5.	Paid W. S. Miller, painting at Rev. C. Noss's....	90 00
"	7.	Paid Penna. Telephone Co., to April 1, 1907.....	9 00
Jan.	9.	Paid Intelligencer, bill of December 5, 1906.....	10 00
"	16.	Paid Seminary water bill, by meter, to Jan. 1, 1907	20 50
"	21.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, bill of repairs	41 05
"	21.	Paid postoffice box	1 00
"	21.	Paid repairs at J. C. Bowman's.....	2 50
"	22.	Paid Prof. Irwin Hoch DeLong, on account.....	75 00
"	26.	Paid expenses of Committee on 1905 Endowment Fund	125 00
Feb.	2.	Paid Seminary advertisement in Church Almanac	23 00
"	2.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for Jan., 1907...	7 05
"	2.	Paid Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary for Feb., 1907..	50 00
"	2.	Paid F. A. Gast, D.D., on account of salary.....	200 00
"	2.	Paid G. W. Richards, D.D., on account of salary..	200 00
"	2.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, on account of salary.....	200 00
"	5.	Paid Miss M. Malone, stenographer, for Jan., 1907	12 00
"	7.	Paid Frederick Ponts, bill in full.....	20 87
"	7.	Paid Intelligencer, printing bill.....	16 10
"	9.	Paid J. B. Martin & Co., bill of papering (C. Noss)	7 50
"	15.	Paid John B. Roth, on account of salary.....	50 00
"	15.	Paid chapel organ repairs	2 00
"	26.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, salary to April 1, 1907.....	175 00
March	4.	Paid F. A. Gast, D D , salary to April 1, 1907....	175 00
"	4.	Paid G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to April 1, 1907	175 00
"	4.	Paid J. M. Chambers, salary for March, 1907	50 00
"	4.	Paid Baumgardner & Co., coal bill, in full.	90 00
"	4.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for Feb., 1907	5 18
March	4.	Prof. I. H. DeLong, on account.....	50 00
"	9.	Paid postage stamps for Seminary use.....	5 00
"	9.	Paid Harry N. Howell, insurance.....	6 00
"	22.	Paid the Examiner, catalogue bill, Seminary....	28 95
"	22.	Paid Intelligencer, bill of Feb. 19, 1907.....	4 00
"	25.	Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, salary to April 1, '97	75 00
"	26.	Paid Miss Malone, stenographer, to March 1, 1907	12 00
"	27.	Paid Postoffice box, to June 30, 1907.....	1 00
April	1.	Paid James Smithgall, salary to April 1, 1907....	210 00
"	1.	Paid J. M. Chambers, salary for April, 1907.....	50 00
"	3.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for March, 1907..	3 60
"	3.	Paid Shreiner & Stauffer, bill.....	19 35
"	8.	Paid Seminary advertisement in Reformed Church Standard	3 75
"	10.	Paid Penna. Telephone Co., to July 1, 1907.....	9 00

April 10.	Examiner Printing Co., Seminary Catalogues, one-third	\$76 19
" 10.	Paid Miss Malone, stenographer, to April 1, 1907..	12 00
" 11.	Paid Postage stamps for Seminary Catalogues...	5 00
" 25.	Paid Seminary expenses, per Dr. Schick	2 50
" 25.	Paid Lanc. Plumbing and Heating Co., G. W. R. house	14 25
" 25.	Paid Baumgardner & Co., coal bill.....	18 00
" 25.	Paid Steinman Hardware Co., bill.....	8 05
" 25.	Paid '92 Class Prize Fund, int. to May 8, 1907....	25 70
" 25.	Paid Schaff Prize Fund, int. to May 8, 1907.....	100 00
" 25.	Paid Dietz Prize Fund, int. to May 8, 1907.....	100 00
" 27.	Paid Seminary Water Tax, by meter, to April 1, 1907	24 90
" 27.	Paid Dr. Bowman, water rent, by meter, to April 1, 1907	8 50
" 27.	Paid Dr. Gast, water rent, by meter, to April 1, 1907	9 25
April 27.	Paid Dr. Schaeffer, water rent, by meter, to April 1, 1907.....	9 00
May 1.	Paid Expenses on Schaff Prize Fund.....	1 68
" 1.	Paid Expenses of committee on 1905 New Endowment	125 00
" 1.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for April, 1907..	3 83
" 3.	Paid F. A. Gast, D.D., on account of salary.....	200 00
" 3.	Paid G. W. Richards, D.D., on account of salary..	200 00
" 3.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, on account of salary	200 00
" 3.	Paid J. M. Chambers, salary for May, 1907.....	50 00
" 3.	Paid Prof. I. Hoch DeLong, on account.....	75 00
" 3.	Paid Lanc. Gas Co., meter rent, to May 1, 1907..	75
" 4.	Paid City Water to April 1, 1908	38 00
" 4.	Paid Anniversary sermon expenses.....	35 00
" 8.	Paid Miss Malone, stenographer, April, 1907	12 00
" 9.	Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, on account of salary	50 00
" 14.	Paid A. W. Barley, printing bill	4 00
" 17.	Paid E. N. Kremer, D.D., Com. expenses.....	4 75
" 21.	Paid W. W. Amos, photographs by faculty.....	7 00
June 1.	Paid F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to July 1, 1907....	175 00
" 1.	Paid G. W. Richards, D.D., salary to July 1, 1907	175 00
" 1.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, salary to July 1, 1907.....	175 00
" 1.	Paid J. M. Chambers, salary for June, 1907.....	50 00
" 1.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for May, 1907....	4 50
" 6.	Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, salary to July 1, 1907	75 00
" 15.	Paid Prof. J. M. Chambers, salary to Oct. 1, 1907..	150 00
June 17.	Paid Seminary advertisement in Obituary Record, No. 11	12 50
" 20.	Paid Fred. D. Pontz, bill in full.....	8 90
" 25.	Paid A. B. Moore, bill of work at Dr. Bowman's..	2 03
" 28.	Paid postoffice box rent to October 1, 1907.....	1 00
" 28.	Paid Prof. Irwin Hoch DeLong, to Oct. 1, 1907..	50 00
July 2.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for June, 1907...	1 00
" 2.	Paid Mrs. Henrietta Kissinger, to July 1, 1907...	25 00
" 5.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, D.D., on salary account.....	100 00
" 8.	Paid G. W. Richards, D.D., salary account, to October 1, 1907	375 00
" 10.	Paid Penna. Telephone Co., bill to Oct. 1, 1907..	9 00
" 10.	Paid Seminary advertisement in Messenger, to July 1, 1907	90 00

July	17.	Paid Penna. Soap Company, bill.....	\$ 2 70
"	17.	Paid the Dreka Company, engraving house.....	164 00
"	27.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1907....	275 00
"	30.	Paid Seminary bills, by meter, to July 1, 1907....	10 75
Aug.	2.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for July, 1907....	1 00
"	2.	Paid Samuel Hockings, bill of repairs.....	1 50
"	5.	Paid F. A. Gast, D.D., salary to Oct. 1, 1907....	375 00
"	5.	Paid J. B. Martin & Co., bill at Dr. Richards.....	30 30
"	8.	Paid Seminary gas meter rent to Aug. 1, 1907....	75
"	10.	Paid J. Smithgall, bill, shelving, etc.....	38 00
"	15.	Paid Smaltz fund, int., to Oct. 1, 1907.....	250 00
"	15.	Paid Klopp legacy, int. to Oct. 1, 1907.....	40 00
"	15.	Paid John B. Roth, on account of salary.....	50 00
"	15.	Paid Seminary Library, int. to Oct. 1, 1907.....	103 29
"	15.	Paid Jacob Forney, int. to Oct. 1, 1907.....	45 00
"	15.	Paid Schriver Alcove, int. to Oct. 1, 1907.....	45 00
"	15.	Paid Wirt Alcove, int. to Oct. 1, 1907.....	45 00
"	15.	Paid Jacob Dietz Library, int. to Oct. 1, 1907....	180 00
"	17.	Paid U. Grant Barr, bill for earth on campus....	99 70
"	21.	Paid Schreiner & Stauffer, bill, C. Noss, D.D.....	2 68
"	23.	Paid Rev. C. Noss, D.D., Seminary Day expenses	10 50
"	30.	Paid New Era Printing Company, bill.....	1 75
"	30.	Paid Imperial Brush Co., bill.....	9 00
Sept.	3.	Paid James Smithgall, bill	5 75
"	5.	Paid Postage stamps for Seminary use.....	5 00
"	10.	Paid Seminary electric light bill for August, 1907	1 00
"	10.	Paid meter rent to September 1, 1907	25
"	12.	Paid James E. Smithgall, salary, to Oct. 1, 1907..	210 00
"	12.	Paid W. U. Hensel, attorney, salary to Oct.1, 1907	50 00
"	12.	Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, salary to Oct. 1, 1907	75 00
"	20.	Paid New Era Printing Company, bill.....	3 00
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			\$18,687 56

1907. LIBRARY FUND OF THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Oct. 1. Amount of Fund is \$2,293 30

1906. DR.

Oct. 1. For balance due Fund..... \$12 63

1907.

April 19. For cash received of Rev. C. Noss, librar-
ian 150 00

Oct. 1. For interest due to date..... 103 29

\$265 92

CR.

1907.

Oct. 1. By sundry bills paid by Treasurer for
books bought by Seminary faculty
to date 160 84

Balance due Fund, Oct. 1, 1907.. \$105 08

SMALTZ FUND FOR BENEFICIARY EDUCATION.

1907.

Oct. 1. Amount of Fund is..... \$5,000 00

Dr.

For interest due to Oct. 1, 1907..... \$250 00

Cr.

By interest paid to Oct. 1, 1907..... 250 00

WILLIAM A. WILT FUND FOR ENDOWMENT.

1907.
Oct. 1. William A. Wilt Fund is \$833 33
Interest on same to Oct. 1, 1907, is accounted for in Seminary Treasurer's current expense account.

SCHAFF PRIZE FUND IN CHURCH HISTORY.

1907.
Oct. 1. Rev. Dr. Schaff Prize Fund is \$2,000 75

Dr.

For interest due to Oct. 1, 1907..... \$100 00

Cr.

By balance due Treasurer, Oct. 1, 1906.. \$3 49

By prize paid May 7, 1907, per award of Committee on same..... 100 00

\$103 49

Amount Dr. brought down..... 100 00

Due Seminary Treasurer \$3 49

JACOB L. RIEGEL ENDOWMENT FUND.

1907.
Oct. 1. Jacob L. Riegel Endowment Fund is \$15,680 00
Interest on same to date accounted for in Treasurer's current expense account.

SEMINARY CLASS '92 PRIZE FUND.

1907.
Oct. 1. Prize Fund of Seminary Class '92 is \$514 11

Dr.

1907.
May 8. For balance due fund..... \$4 50
" 8. For interest to date..... 25 70

\$30 20

Cr.

1907.
May 8. By price paid per award of committee.. 20 00

" 8. Amount due Fund..... \$10 20

JACOB FORNEY SEMINARY ALCOVE FUND.

1907.
Oct. 1. Jacob Forney Alcove Fund is \$1,000 00

65

DR

1906.			
Oct.	1.	For balance due Fund.....	\$50 95
1907.			
Oct.	1.	For interest to date.....	45 00
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			\$95 95

CR.

1907.			
Oct.	1.	By sundry bills paid for books bought by Seminary faculty for Alcove, to date..	38 38
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"	1.	Amount due Fund	\$57 57

ANDREW KEISER AND CATHARINE W. SCHRIVER LIBRARY ALCOVE FUND.

1907.			
Oct.	1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$1,000 00

DR.

For balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1906	\$89 62
For interest to Oct. 1, 1907	45 00
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	\$134 62

CR.

By sundry bills paid to Oct. 1, 1907, for books bought by Seminary faculty..	83 65
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Amount due Fund Oct. 1, 1907.....	\$50 97

HENRY WIRT ALCOVE FUND.

1907.			
Oct.	1.	Henry Wirt Alcove Fund is.....	\$1,000 00

DR.

For balance due Fund Oct. 1, 1906.....	\$57 09
For interest due Fund to Oct. 1, 1907..	45 00
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	\$102 09

CR.

1907.			
Oct.	1.	By sundry bills paid to Oct. 1, 1907, for books bought by Seminary Faculty..	56 73
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"	1.	Amount due Fund	\$45 36

REV. JOHN I. SWANDER, D.D., FUND.

1907.			
May	23.	Rev. John I. Swander, D.D., Fund is	\$4,000 00

JACOB Y. DIETZ LIBRARY FUND.

1907.			
Oct.	1.	Jacob Y. Dietz Library Fund is.....	\$4,000 00

DR.

1907.			
Oct.	1.	For balance due Fund.....	\$121 37
		For interest to Oct. 1, 1907.....	180 00
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			\$301 37

Cr.

By sundry bills paid to Oct. 1, 1907, for
books bought by Seminary Faculty.. 111 79

1907.
Oct. 1. Amount due Fund \$189 58

JACOB Y. DIETZ PRIZE FUND.

1907.
Oct. 1. Jacob Y. Dietz Prize Fund is..... \$2,000 00

Dr.

For interest to May 8, 1907..... \$100 00

Cr.

May 8. By prize paid per award of committee.. 100 00

SEMINARY CLASS '94 ALCOVE FUND.

1907.
Oct. 1. Amount of notes placed in Treasurer's hands for
collection July 1, 1894..... \$981 00
Notes paid to Oct. 1, 1907, cash..... \$643 00
Notes unpaid to Oct. 1, 1907..... 338 00
Amount of cash received, brought down. \$643 00

1907.
Oct. 1. Interest on same to date..... 189 83

1907.
Oct. 1. Cash in hand..... \$832 83

THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY AID FUND.

Dr.

1908.

For amount received from—

Oct. 17.	W. H. Leinbach, Treasurer Eastern Synod.....	\$405 98
Nov. 5.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	289 42
1907.		
Jan. 4.	Trinity Reformed Church, York	18 49
" 4.	St. Stephen's Church, York.....	3 37
" 5.	W. H. Leinbach, Treasurer of Eastern Synod....	249 42
Feb. 16.	R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.	45 00
Mar. 15.	R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.	25 00
April 1.	R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.	32 50
" 8.	A. Spangler, Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod.....	7 01
May 4.	R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.	490 42
" 4.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	250 00
" 10.	A. Spangler, for Potomac Synod.....	13 50
" 15.	S. M. Roeder, for Potomac Synod.....	15 44
" 23.	R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.	200 70
" 29.	A. J. Heller, D.D., Pittsburgh Synod.....	625 00
June 1.	R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.	217 07
" 17.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	135 31
July 2.	R. M. Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.....	19 00
Aug. 1.	R. M. Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.....	48 00
" 14.	C. M. Wolff, Treasurer of Potomac Synod.....	139 00
" 15.	A. J. Heller, D.D., Treasurer of Pittsburgh Synod	500 00
Sept. 24.	R. M. Hoffman, Treasurer of Eastern Synod.....	57 25

\$3,786 88

CR.

1907.			
Mar. 28.	By interest paid on John S. Herr loan of August 11, 1906, for building	\$127 78	
	By interest paid to Oct. 1, 1907, on Endowment Funds balance due by current expense account.....	\$9,221 96	
	James Street lot.....	708 37	
	Evans lot.....	775 00	
	Janitor's house	1,391 30	
	Appel lot	5,400 00	
	Moore and Harnish, ground... ..	2,500 00	
	Seminary grounds.....	922 62	
	Professors' houses, cost.....	12,932 13	
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		\$34,850 78	
	Interest paid on same by Aid Fund, to Oct. 1, 1907, viz	1,742 5	
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		\$1,870 31	

1907.			
Sept. 25.	Balance charged to Treasurer as income	1,916 57	
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		\$3,786 88	

PITTSBURG SYNOD ENDOWMENT FUND.

1907.			
Oct. 1.	Amount of Fund is.....	\$30,650 00	

DR.

1907.			
Oct. 1.	For interest on same.....	\$1,803 50	

CR.

1907.			
Oct. 1.	By interest paid to J. C. Bowman, D.D.	1,803 50	

STATEMENT OF ALL FUNDS IN HANDS OF TREASURER.

1906.			
Oct. 1.	Seminary Endowment Fund	\$97,530 54	
" 1.	Riegel Endowment Fund	15,680 00	
" 1.	W. A. Wilt Endowment Fund	833 33	
	New Endowment to Oct. 1, 1906	6,378 50	
Nov. 27.	Premium on bonds sold	175 00	
1907.			
Oct. 1.	New Endowment Fund received from Oct. 1, 1906, to Oct. 1, 1907.....	8,094 60	
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		\$128,691 97	
	Library Fund	2,293 36	
	Smaltz Fund.....	5,000 00	
	Class '92 Prize Fund.....	514 11	
	Schaff Prize Fund.....	2,000 75	
	Forney Alcove Fund.....	1,000 00	
	Wirt Alcove Fund.....	1,000 00	
	Schraver Alcove Fund.....	1,000 00	
	Seminary Class '94 Alcove Fund.....	981 00	
	Dietz Library Fund.....	4,000 00	

Diets Prize Fund.....	\$2,000 00
Rev. J. I. Swander, D.D., Fund.....	4,000 00
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	\$152,481 19
Pittsburgh Synod Endowment Fund, Oct. 1, 1907 is	30,650 00
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	\$183,131 19

The undersigned, a committee appointed by the Seminary Board to examine the several accounts, as presented by the Treasurer, respectfully report that we have attended to the duty assigned us, and find them correct.

JOHN W. APPEL,
JOHN HERTZLER,
Committee.

Lancaster, Pa., October, 1907.

(f) Report of the Board of Education of the Eastern Synod.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

The Board of Education organized for the current year at its annual meeting held on May 6, 1907. The following officers were elected: President, Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Harrisburg, Pa.; Secretary, Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.; Treasurer, Mr. Jno. Hertzler, Lancaster, Pa.

The Treasurer's annual report was received, audited and adopted. A copy of the report, with a copy of the report of the Auditing Committee appended, is herewith submitted.

In the past year the Board of Education aided seven students for the ministry, the appropriations aggregating \$1,000. The Classes auxiliary to the Board aided six students for the ministry, as follows: Classis of Lancaster, one; Classis of Lehigh, three; Classis of Reading, one; Classis of Tohickon, one; the appropriations aggregating \$800.00.

In the current year, the Board is aiding eight students, the appropriations aggregating \$1,080.00; the Classis of Lancaster is aiding three; the Classis of Lehigh, two; the Classis of Reading, one; the appropriations aggregating \$725.00; making the total number of students aided by and through the Board of Education, fourteen; and the total amount of appropriations, \$1,805.00.

Of those students aided in the past year, three graduated from the Theological Seminary and have been licensed to preach the Gospel.

Within the year two former students for the ministry, whose obligations together amounted to \$1,575.00, and who

have been ten years in the service of the Church, requested that their obligations be cancelled and surrendered. Their requests were granted.

Former students for the ministry within the year refunded moneys as follows: Rev. Israel S. Leiby, \$225.00; Rev. John K. Adams, \$100.00; Prof. Edwin M. Hartman, \$300.00, and a former student, \$200.00, interest in full, as agreed, the principal having previously been paid; a total of \$825.00. As the Secretary's report is made five months after the annual meeting of the Board of Education, some items of moneys refunded appear in his report that do not appear in the Treasurer's report.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. F. LICHLITER, *Secretary.*

Lancaster, Pa., October 23, 1907.

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE TREASURER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION.

RECEIPTS.

Balance		\$1,011 43
Income from investments	\$594 50	
Offerings of churches:		
Per Classis of Philadelphia.....	\$72 37	
Christ Church, Philadelphia	48 39	
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Refunded by former students for the ministry:		
John J. Mareks	\$15 33	
Preston F. Strauss	475 50	
John K. Adams	100 00	
Israel S. Leiby.....	225 00	
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Erie Rapid Transit Bonds sold.....	\$3,000 00	
Certificate of Deposit paid.....	137 50	
Camel Mortgage paid.....	1,275 00	
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From Classes:		
Classis of Lancaster.....	\$72 00	
Classis of Lehigh.....	425 00	
Classis of Tohickon	100 00	
Classis of Reading	125 00	
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		\$7,677 02

DISBURSEMENTS.

To students for the Ministry aided by the Board.	\$1,000 00
To students of Classis of Lancaster.....	100 00
To students of Classis of Lehigh	425 00

To students of Classis of Tohickon	150 00	
To students of Classis of Reading.....	125 00	
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	\$1,800 00	
Investments	3,000 00	
Wm. F. Lichliter, salary and expenses.....	55 58	
Herbert C. Miller, salary and expenses.....	25 30	
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		4,880 88
Balance in the Treasury.....		\$2,796 14
Respectfully submitted,		

JNO. HERTZLER, *Treasurer.*

Lancaster, Pa., May 6, 1907.

We the undersigned have examined the accounts and checked up the securities and found them correct as stated.

NATHAN C. SCHAEFFER.
CHARLES E. CREITZ.

Lancaster, Pa., May 6, 1907.

Attest:

WM. F. LICHLITER, *Secretary.*

Lancaster, Pa., October 23, A. D. 1907.

(g) The Report on the Increased Endowment of the Seminary.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The substance of the report of your Endowment Committee for the past Synodical year may be expressed in two words—slow progress. This does not imply a lack of effort on the part of your committee. The time and labor expended cannot be estimated by the figures set forth in the financial statement. Nor can the value of a year's service be rightly reckoned on the basis of a statistical exhibit. From the present sowing, in future years may be gathered the larger harvest.

While our people of wealth, generally, to whom the Endowment cause has been presented have failed to follow the example of devotion and sacrifice set by our ministry, the few who have so generously responded, it is hoped, may provoke many others to similar good works.

In the last year's report, grateful acknowledgment was made of the generous pledges of the members of the Board of Trustees of the Seminary, and of a few additional offerings which, placed to the credit of the laity, amounted to the sum of \$14,000. Through the efforts of the past year, additional subscriptions have been secured, amounting to \$11,892. The pledge of \$5,000, by Mr. Helb, of York, and the payment of \$1,000 each by Mrs. Kissinger, of Reading, and Mrs. Craig,

of Allentown, and a like amount by Mrs. Wolff and daughter, of Pittsburgh, are offerings highly appreciated by all who have the welfare of the Seminary at heart. No less gratefully were received the subscriptions which have been placed to the credit of many who, out of their comparatively small means, have given cheerfully and liberally, as proof of their devotion to the Seminary and the interests which it represents.

The problem that confronts the Synod is how best to carry forward and complete the work which has been so hopefully begun.

The subjoined statement presents an exhibit of the subscriptions secured within the bounds of the several Classes, and of the amounts paid during the synodical year just closed:

**SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ENDOWMENT FUND FROM
OCTOBER 1, 1906, TO OCTOBER 1, 1907.**

Eastern Synod.

Lancaster Classis.....	\$106 00	
Tohickon Classis	1,212 00	
Lehigh Classis	2,689 00	
Reading Classis	1,635 00	
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Pittsburgh Synod.

Allegheny Classis.....	1,000 00
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Potomac Synod.

Zion's Classis	5,250 00
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Total \$11,892 00

**PAYMENTS TO THE THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY ENDOWMENT FUND FROM
OCTOBER 1, 1906, TO OCTOBER 1, 1907.**

Eastern Synod.

East Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$95 00	
Lebanon Classis	110 00	
Philadelphia Classis.....	25 00	
Lancaster Classis	341 10	
East Susquehanna Classis	90 00	
West Susquehanna Classis.....	60 00	
Tohickon Classis	504 50	
Joshenhoppen Classis.....	65 00	
Lehigh Classis.....	1,809 00	
Schuylkill Classis.....	45 00	
Wyoming Classis	80 00	
Reading Classis	1,240 00	
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<i>Potomac Synod.</i>		
Zion's Classis	\$500 00	
Maryland Classis	820 00	
Mercersburg Classis.....	15 00	
Virginia Classis.....	220 00	
Gettysburg Classis.....	35 00	
Carlisle Classis	110 00	
Juniata Classis	155 00	
	<hr/>	1,855 00
<i>Pittsburgh Synod.</i>		
Westmoreland Classis.....	\$250 00	
Clarion Classis	90 00	
St. Paul's Classis	25 00	
Somerset Classis.....	20 00	
Allegheny Classis.....	1,370 00	
	<hr/>	1,755 00
Rev. J. F. Vornholt, Jeffersonville, Ind.....		20 00

Total received from October 1, 1906, to October 1, 1907. \$8,094 60
 October 5, 1907. Examined and found correct.

JOHN W. APPEL,
 JOHN HERTLER.

Respectfully submitted,
 JOHN C. BOWMAN, *Chairman.*

II. REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ON F. AND M. COLLEGE, THE ACADEMY AND THE EASTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The report on the foregoing institutions was presented on Monday, during the morning session. Action was taken item by item and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The following documents were referred to your Committee on F. and M. College and the Theological Seminary:

1. The report of the President of the College.
2. The annual report of the Treasurers of the College and Seminary.
3. The Catalogue of the College, Seminary and Academy.
4. Reports of Subscriptions to the Endowment of the College, Seminary and the erection of the Academy.
5. The annual reports of the Principals of F. and M. Academy.
6. The report of the Board of Visitors of the Theological Seminary.

7. The report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary.

8. The annual report of the Board of Education.

9. A communication from the President of the College.

Your committee voices its profound conviction that among the multiform interests challenging our attention and claiming our interest, there is none greater than the cause of education, represented by the several educational institutions and presented to Synod through the medium of these informative documents. The history and genius of our church and the pressing needs of our time alike constrain us to magnify this cause; to strengthen the stake the while we grow not weary of lengthening the many cords.

(a) FRANKLIN AND MARSHALL COLLEGE.

We glean the following data of interest from the documents relating to the College and Academy.

1. For the first time in the history of the College, the enrollment in the four undergraduate classes exceeded two hundred students.

2. The work of instruction was carried on faithfully and successfully and that the work and spirit of the institutions are in every way encouraging.

3. That the excess of running expenses over income (\$2,583.85) was less than it has been for a number of years.

4. The recommendation of the President to increase the salaries of the professors by ten per cent. was made possible by the special contributions by four members of the Board of Trustees and favorably acted upon by said Board.

5. That the faculty remains the same as the year before, except that Garrett W. Thompson has succeeded Dr. Frank C. Smith in the chair of Modern Languages, and a new chair was created and called the Professorship of Astronomy and Assistant in Mathematics, which was filled by the appointment of Rev. A. T. G. Apple.

6. That a number of improvements were made on the college property and that the new academy building is in course of erection, at an estimated cost of \$100,000.00.

7. That courses of study in the English Bible are conducted for all classes by President Stahr and Dr. Wm. C. Schaeffer.

8. That the total amount of money pledged to date for increasing the general endowment of the College is \$142,090.50. That of this amount, a little over \$90,000.00 has been paid.

9. That the field work of Messrs. Hartman and Buchheit, in behalf of the College, has been as successful as was possible under the circumstances. The President expresses regret that the work could not attain its full measure of possible success because in many charges an open door could not be secured for this work. The work of these two men for the year netted a little over \$35,000.00 in cash and pledges.

10. That because of the limited number of fields open for canvass, and because of the enlargement of the work and responsibilities in connection with the Academy, Mr. Hartman is given permission to devote his time mainly to the Academy, and Mr. Buchheit continues in the endowment work. Mr. Hartman gives such time as he is able to this work, but without salary.

In view of the foregoing facts, we make the following recommendations:

Resolved, 1. That Synod hereby expresses its gratification in the excellent condition of the affairs of the institutions, and commends the management and the instructors for their faithful performance of the duties devolving upon them.

2. That Synod hereby records its appreciation of the work of the committee of the faculty and alumni, through whose efforts the college has been voted a charter for a chapter of the Phi Beta Kappa Society.

3. That because of the growing activity of other institutions in the matter of securing students, Synod strongly urges upon its ministers and all other friends of the institution the importance of greater activity in various lines in behalf of the institution. Synod especially urges that all proper influence be used in encouraging young men to secure a higher education and that they be directed to our own institutions for this purpose.

4. That it is the sense of Synod that during the coming year no door should be closed to at least a presentation of the college interests, even if the same cannot be accompanied by an immediate canvass for funds, and that the Classes appoint committees to coöperate with the field agent in this work.

(b) THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

The various documents relating to the Theological Seminary are marked throughout by a grateful recognition of achievements which, under God, are due to a loyal constituency in pulpit and in pew.

We note that the campaign for increasing the endowment of the Seminary is carried on with undiminished vigor and faith. The perennial recurrence of the deficit in the current expenses lends emphasis to the urgent need of completing the endowment.

We note with gratification the fact that the graduates of the Seminary go forth well equipped for the work, but we lament the depressing fact that the tide of strong manhood still flows past the open door of the Theological Seminaries of our land.

Your committee, after a careful study of the documents, submits the following resolutions for your consideration and adoption:

1. That we record our gratitude to Almighty God, the great Head of His Church, for guiding, guarding and prospering the work and the workers.

2. That Synod instruct its Classes to continue with unabated zeal the campaign for consecrated men and consecrated money, and that, to this end, we ask for a faithful observance of Seminary Day, on the first Sunday in September, and for earnest coöperation with Dr. J. C. Bowman in his special work for the increase of the Seminary endowment.

3. That in response to the request of the Board of Visitors of the Seminary and with the concurrence of Pittsburg Synod and the Synod of the Potomac, Eastern Synod hereby creates the offices of President of Seminary and Dean of the Faculty, with rights and duties as defined in the paper on this subject submitted to Synod by the Board of Visitors

of the Seminary; the Synod also approves of the election of Rev. Prof. J. C. Bowman, D.D., and Rev. Prof. Wm. C. Schaeffer, D.D., as the first incumbents of these offices; furthermore, the election of persons to fill these offices, in case of vacancies occurring thereafter, shall be the duty of the Board of Visitors.

4. That Synod place its seal of hearty approval on the recommendations to Eastern Synod to increase, to the sum of \$2,000 per annum, the salaries of the Professors of Dogmatic Theology, of Church History and of Old Testament Theology; the increase to be raised by the Synod by an annual appropriation of \$1,500 for increase of professors' salaries, until such time as the permanent endowment shall be sufficient to meet it, and that Synod hereby fix as the sum of \$2,000 each the annual salaries attached to the above-mentioned chairs in the Seminary; furthermore, that this resolution go into effect on the first day of July, 1908.

5. That Synod apportion upon its several Classes the sum of \$4,875, for the payment of the deficit in the current expenses, for the increase of the salaries and for the support of the Professor of Oratory.

(c) BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Your committee recognizes that in a quiet way this Board renders an important service to the cause of education. As in former years, the annual report contains evidence of successful operation. Fourteen students received financial aid. Obligations, amounting to \$1,575, were cancelled at the request of former beneficiaries; \$825 were refunded by former beneficiaries. The balance in the treasury amounts to \$2,796.14.

Be it, therefore,

Resolved, That Synod hereby recognizes the importance of the work of the Board of Education and its faithful performance during the past year; furthermore, that the cause be urgently recommended to the Classes for their support.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. F. HERMAN, *Chairman*,

GEO. P. STEM,

JOHN APPEL,

CALVIN M. DELONG,

C. S. MESSINGER.

ARTICLE XIV.

MISSIONS.

I.—Annual Report of the Board of Missions (Bi-Synodic) of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: It is well to recall the fact that from 1873, when this Board was organized, until 1892, a period of nearly twenty years, the office of this Board was to direct and control almost the whole field of English home missionary work, with full power and authority, but that since April 1, 1892, the office of the Board has been advisory in matters relating to the management of the missions; but you will note also that in reference to trust funds committed to this Board, the Board, subject to the Synods, has entire control, and that on this account the Treasurer's report, which is herewith laid before you, duly audited and as part of this report, has special interest and importance, reciting as it does the details of the financial transactions of your Board.

Partly from it and partly from the record of the General Board, we cull the following facts concerning legacies, Church-Building Funds and current moneys which have come from the bounds of the two Synods.

LEGACIES.—From the estate of Mrs. Amelia E. Meyers, of Hanover, Pa., \$25; from the estate of Rev. Moses Peters, of Lehigh county, Pa., \$95; from the estate of Mr. N. B. Schmitt, of Woodstock, Va., \$9,000; from the estate of Elder Morris R. Peterman, of Royersford, Pa., \$95.25.

CHURCH-BUILDING FUNDS.—Each \$500. The Juniata Classical Missionary Society Fund; the John C. and Charlotte A. Wood Fund, given by Mrs. Mary Wood Fisher, of Zion's church, Chambersburg, Pa.; the John and Elizabeth Bausman Fund, given by Rev. Dr. B. Bausman; the Rev. Dr. Rudolph Duenger Fund, given by the churches of Shamokin and Ashland, Pa.; the Lizzie K. Geisinger, Fund, given by Elder S. H. Orr, Norristown, Pa.; the Reigelsville Sunday-School Fund, given by the St. John's Sunday-school of Reigelsville, Pa.; the Anna Mary Kuhn Fund, given by Elder Benjamin Kuhn, of Dayton, Ohio; the new Goshenhoppen

Mission Band Fund, given by said Band, Rev. C. M. DeLong, pastor; the Clementina A. Roeder Eberhard Fund, given by Miss Emma A. Roeder, Quakertown, Pa.; the Mrs. Mary M. Welsh Fund, given by Elder W. H. Welsh, of York, Pa.; the Woman's Missionary Society of General Synod Fund, given by said Society. Also the three following funds, each subject to an annuity, payable during the lifetime of the giver: The Sarah Elizabeth Lady Fund, given by Rev. Dr. D. B. Lady; the F. P. Conrad Fund and the Mary Conrad Fund, given by Elder F. P. Conrad, of Goshen, Ind.

CURRENT MONEYS.—You will notice that the amount paid during the Synodical year on the apportionment for Home Missions is \$41,888.35, which, compared with the income of last year, shows a gain of about \$6,000, not including the Hungarian, Harbor and German moneys, in which there is a loss this year of about \$2,000, so that the real gain is about \$4,000.

In the general treasury, that is, moneys that have come from the payment of interest and the payment of loans made from the general treasury, we report \$1,312.91. This money is available for any necessary outlay of the Board, being free from the limitations of designated moneys.

It is a great pleasure to report the noble gift of Zwingli Reformed Church, of Harrisburg, Pa. This congregation, having disbanded, conveyed to your Board, in trust, its valuable church property in fee simple. This property is now in process of sale, the proceeds to be used in accordance with the wish of said congregation, namely, to be known as the Zwingli Memorial Church-Building Fund, preference to be given to Harrisburg, Pa., and vicinity, in its use, in aiding missions or other needy congregations.

During the synodical year the following missions within your bounds have been enrolled: Grace, Hanover, Pa.; Mount Hermon, Philadelphia, Pa.; Penbrook, Pa.; St. Luke's, Baltimore, Md.; Enola, Pa.; Wyndmoor, Pa.; and Shiloh, South Bethlehem, Pa.

We regret to say that none of the missions within your bounds became self-supporting.

We are sorry to report that the Hungarian congregation in

Trenton, N. J., owing to alleged financial necessity, some months ago withdrew from us and united with the national Church, having first met all its financial obligations to this Board. Its withdrawal was said to be unanimous; but as this is disputed, the General Board has taken the first steps toward securing the property rights of the minority.

The Synod of the Potomac will please note that the term of Rev. F. A. Rupley, Jr., will expire April 1, 1908, and that by the lamented death of Rev. Geo. E. Limbert another vacancy must be filled.

As the term of Supt. A. C. Whitmer expires October 1, 1908, and as the vacancy will be filled by the General Board in May, 1908, and as it is the duty of the Synods to nominate the candidate, according to the terms of the compact, we, therefore, recommend to the Synods Rev. A. C. Whitmer as the nominee for the office of Superintendent of Missions within the two Synods.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM C. SCHAEFFER, *President.*

ELLIS N. KREMER, *Secretary.*

II.—Treasurer's Report.

JOHN J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer, in account with the Board of Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.*

HOME MISSIONS.

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From the Eastern Synod.

Philadelphia Classis.....	\$2,535 45
Tohickon Classis.....	2,167 41
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	2,904 75
East Pennsylvania Classis	2,658 00
Lebanon Classis.....	2,042 14
Lancaster Classis	2,700 08
Schuylkill Classis.....	1,809 31
East Susquehanna Classis.....	1,640 00
West Susquehanna Classis	2,292 40
Lehigh Classis.....	3,705 26
Wyoming Classis.....	1,838 22
Reading Classis	3,951 78
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	\$30,244 80

From the Synod of the Potomac.

Maryland Classis.....	\$3,378 52
Mercersburg Classis.....	1,430 26
Virginia Classis.....	850 00
Zion's Classis	970 67
Juniata Classis.....	2,228 64

Gettysburg Classis.....	400 00	
North Carolina Classis.....	903 60	
Carlisle Classis	973 35	
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\$41,379 84

Miscellaneous Sources.

St. John's Sunday-School, Milton, Pa.....	\$37 19	
Rev. F. A. Gast, D.D.....	10 00	
Hungarian Church, Trenton, N. J.....	22 00	
Christ Church, Philadelphia.....	258 67	
Mrs. Amanda A. Wagner	100 00	
Interest on Gerhard Fund	6 00	
Heidelberg League, Newport, Pa., for Omaha....	5 00	
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Children's Day Offering for Chicago Mission.

Grace, Baltimore, Md.....	\$17 63	
Sunday-School, Marion, Pa.....	6 23	
Sunday-School, Shippensburg, Pa.....	6 12	
Zion's Sunday-School, Chambersburg, Pa.....	27 67	
Mount Moriah Charge.....	12 00	
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\$41,888 35

Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board.....	41,888 35	
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HUNGARIAN AND HARBOR MISSIONS.

Maryland Classis	\$413 00	
Mercersburg Classis.....	150 00	
Carlisle Classis	99 94	
Virginia Classis.....	25 00	
Zion's Classis	55 77	
Potomac Synod	124 19	
Eastern Synod	3,031 09	
Eastern Synod for German Missions.....	48 69	
		<hr/> \$3,947 68

Paid Geo. W. Stine, Treasurer General Board	3,947 68	
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CHURCH BUILDING.

Balance in treasury October 5, 1906.....	\$3,349 60	
Lhiladelphia Classis.....	\$351 27	
Pancaster Classis.....	496 90	
Reading Classis	777 00	
Tohickon Classis.....	313 80	
Lehigh Classis.....	868 00	
West Susquehanna Classis	100 00	
East Susquehanna Classis.....	274 67	
Schuykill Classis.....	302 00	
Lebanon Classis	108 00	
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	367 00	
Carlisle Classis	209 56	
		<hr/> \$4,168 20

Loans Repaid.

Roanoke, Va.	\$300 00	
Steelton, Pa.....	400 00	

Hungarian, South Norwalk, Conn.	125 00	
Hungarian, Trenton, N. J.....	1,300 00	
Lenoir, N. C.	250 00	
First, High Point, N. C.....	169 00	
Grace, Baltimore, Md.	500 00	
Christ's, Baltimore, Md.	400 00	
Grace, South Allentown, Pa.	75 00	
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		\$11,036 80

Disbursements.

Paid C. M. Boush, Treasurer	\$4,168 20	
Paid Greensboro, N. C.....	1,000 00	
Paid Grace, Hanover, Pa.	1,000 00	
Paid St. Mark's, Baltimore, Md.....	2,300 00	
Balance in treasury, October 4, 1907.....	2,568 60	
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GENERAL TREASURY.

Balance in treasury, October 5, 1906.....		\$817 78
Lykens, Pa.....	\$40 00	
Emanuel's, York, Pa.	60 00	
Mrs. C. A. Fremell.....	95 00	
York Bank Stock	50 00	
C. M. Boush, Treasurer General Board.....	260 00	
Grace, Baltimore, Md.	40 65	
Christ's, Baltimore, Md.	106 26	
Grace, South Allentown, Pa.	3 00	
Mrs. Leah Sidel	75 00	
Messiah, Philadelphia, Pa.....	60 00	
Hungarian, Trenton, N. J.....	78 00	
First, High Point, N. C.	10 00	
St. John's, Harrisburg, Pa.....	150 00	
First, York, Pa.	60 00	
Roanoke, Va.....	100 00	
Scranton, Pa.....	75 00	
West Hazleton, Pa.....	50 00	
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		\$2,130 69

Credits.

Student Lee A. Peeler, four months' salary.....	\$120 00	
Rev. M. M. Noacher, three months' salary.....	105 00	
Annulling Zwingli Church Charter.....	55 20	
Travelling expenses of the Board, postage and stationery	69 15	
Salary of the Secretary.....	75 00	
Salary of the Treasurer.....	75 00	
Balance in treasury October 2, 1907.....	1,631 34	
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Respectfully submitted,

JNO. J. NISSLEY, *Treasurer.**Hummelstown, Pa., October 4, 1907.*

HUMMELSTOWN, PA., OCTOBER 4, 1907.

We, the undersigned, examined the above account and found it correct as stated.

ELLIS N. KREMER,
JAMES C. THOMPSON,
Auditors.

III.—Annual Statement of the Board of Home Missions.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: In this brief statement, the Board of Home Missions calls the attention of the English Synods to some leading facts concerning the work committed to our care.

The office of General Superintendent, which became vacant by the unexpected death of Rev. Thomas M. Yundt in April last, remains vacant, the call given by the Board to Rev. Lewis Robb, in July last, having been declined.

Our income for the synodical year has been larger than ever before. Our people in growing numbers realize that the support of this work depends almost entirely on the apportionment, and far more charges to-day take pleasure in paying the apportionment in full. Indeed, the debt of the Board from year to year has been due to the fact that so many fell short at this point. We gratefully note that last Easter the offerings were unusually large, and accordingly, on July 10, 1907, not only was the debt paid, but also \$4,000 were on hand toward the \$14,000 of orders issued at that meeting. Toward this new debt of \$10,000 the treasurer has received about \$1,000, leaving a deficit of \$9,000, to which must be added the orders due on October 1st, when the debt will be about \$23,000. These figures appeal strongly to the Church for such offerings as will bring our Home Missionary work to a cash basis. Nothing less should satisfy us.

The lack of men for the ministry is keenly felt by the Board whenever a mission is to be enrolled; for we well know that in filling that pastorate we are making a vacancy in some self-supporting charge, and to that extent are cutting off one source of support. Every such enrollment is, therefore, a crisis and an embarrassment, making the Board cry out to

the Synods: "Pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest that he would send forth laborers into his harvest;" and while the Board will cheerfully go as far as possible in the enlargement of the work, we beg the Synods to request the Classes not to urge upon the Board the enrollment of missions so long as the Church feels this lack of ministers and the Board must every quarter borrow large sums of money to carry on the work.

Our Church Building Funds have now reached the remarkable number of 220, a record far beyond the most sanguine hope of even ten years ago, to say nothing of the very modest expectations of twenty years ago; and the great work already done by these beautiful memorials gives promise of the far greater which they will do in the years to come, when the record shall reach 500.

We are helping a deserving people. The missionaries frequently express the gratitude of their people for the help received from time to time, both in the support of pastors and in the building of churches; but we assure the Church at large that these missions show their gratitude also in the wise use made of this help and especially in their large self-help, reported in the annual statistical tables. They receive much, but they also give much. Owing to the great and constant special demands upon them, their average for congregational outlay is far beyond that of the Church at large, while their average for benevolence is about the same as that of the self-supporting churches. Therefore it is worth while to note that what they do is proof of their gratitude for what is done for them.

Our Hungarian work continues to be deservedly popular. The organization of a Hungarian Classis has given stability to this interest, and the Board finds the Classis is a great help in deciding many questions that arise in this growing work. Including the congregations in Chicago and Cleveland, which became self-supporting during the present year, we have thirteen Hungarian pastors; and to this must be added the interesting fact that we have had seven Hungarian students for the ministry in three of our institutions supported by moneys given for that purpose. This work has been made

needlessly difficult, however, by agitation continued by the Reformed Church in Hungary, alienating our congregations and pastors; but those now with us are entirely loyal.

The Harbor Mission at Ellis Island, N. Y., continues to do a beautiful work among needy strangers at our door. This interest, in charge of Rev. Paul H. Land, comes under the quarterly care of the Board and has its hearty endorsement. Its results are not so apparent and convincing as in the case of our other home missionary work, but we assure you that the Harbor Mission is a real charity, and we ask the Synods to commend it to the confidence and larger support of our people.

Home Missionary Day is probably an abiding order. This is the sixth year of its history, and doubtless more Sunday-schools and congregations than ever before will observe it. The Synods may well commend it to the Classes and urge them to encourage their people to adopt the Board's method of special giving toward the establishment of some particular church. The general observance of this day would bring very large results.

There are also special helps which the Synods would encourage, and which probably every Classis could use to advantage, *e. g.*, the Church Work Convention, the Classical Missionary Society, the Mission Study Class and a monthly Missionary Day in the Sunday-school. It is hardly necessary to refer to the distribution of the *Home Missionary Bulletin*, of reports, tracts, leaflets and other literature of the Board, all of which seed-sowing will in due time surely bring forth a great harvest.

As a Church we need to do larger things. God has given us a great inheritance of opportunity. From a few thousand, our Church has grown to be almost 300,000 communicant members. Our people to-day have much wealth, and surely God expects larger things from us than was possible in the days of our fathers. From a few English missions, the number has grown to over one hundred, and for lack of men and means, the Board must repeatedly refuse to enroll very promising fields. Brethren, having a larger membership, larger wealth and larger demands, we need to have also larger

thoughts and desires, larger plans and hopes, yea, above all we need larger hearts, and we should pray for these things rather than for the coming of the kingdom in its outward form. Our home missionary work never before was so large, it never was more prosperous, it never was more promising, and the Reformed Church in the United States has before her a wide open door of usefulness which she should promptly enter in the name of the Lord, a great work to be done with a mighty hand and with larger gifts of men and money.

Having now laid before you these leading facts concerning our home missionary work, we pray you, brethren, to give them that consideration due to a matter of such vast importance for the furtherance of the kingdom of God; and above all, we beg you to consider well what is involved in the larger support and the firmer establishment of the work of Home Missions. The growth and prosperity of the Church as a whole, indeed, the support and prosperity of all her other work depend largely on the emphasis which she places on this work. To be weak at this vital point is to invite weakness throughout; and to be strong here assures consequent strength in every other department.

With Christian greetings,

EDMUND R. ESCHBACH,

September 14, 1907.

President.

IV.—Annual Statement of the Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: There is a note of triumph to our work in Japan and China that must thrill the heart of the Church. From every station the tidings come of a new awakening in the homes of darkness. Men are no longer groping for the light of life, but they enjoy it in their inmost souls. The reports from the evangelists for the past year show the power of the Spirit in the spread of the Word. Hearts open towards the Sun of Righteousness as the flowers to the baptism of the morning light. The prospects have never been as bright, nor the needs as great as at this time.

In Japan, our Kanda Church at Tokyo and the Rokubancho

and Iwanuma Churches in the Sendai district, have become self-supporting. These events show that our missionaries are encouraging the spirit of self-help, which is always commendable. From our station at Chenchowfu, China, comes the inspiring report that there are a number of most devout Christians who have become an inspiration to the missionaries because of their sweet faith and simple earnestness. Early in the spring, several aged men, one of them seventy-seven years old, came up the North River, traveling a hundred miles, to be present at the Communion service. Before this aged father went away, he said that he had been for seventy years hunting peace, in vain; but now he believed the Gospel, and he thought he could find it. He was going home, and in his village there were some old men like himself, whom he would tell about the "doctrine." When an old man in China takes to the Gospel it means much, for gray hairs and advanced years command respect and influence.

Our new Boys' School Buildings at Lakeside, four miles from Yochow, are a wonder in that part of China. The buildings are all of brick. The cost of this splendid plant is cause for rejoicing. Those who have seen the buildings can hardly believe it possible that so much was done with so little money. Dr. W. E. Hoy was the architect and the contractor. He deserves the grateful appreciation of the Church for his careful superintendence of the work and of the economic expenditure of funds at his disposal for school purposes. The entire cost for ground and buildings was \$10,859.13.

During the past year the Board has sent to the foreign field the following workers: Miss Kate I. Hansen and Miss Lydia A. Lindsey, as teachers for our Miyagi Girls' School, at Sendai, Japan, and Miss Edith N. Brightbill as nurse for the hospital at Chenchowfu, China. Since April 1, 1907, Rev. Irving G. Boydstun and wife have been members of our China Mission. They came to us from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church. Mr. Boydstun is now located at Chenchowfu, and will assist Rev. Edwin A. Beck in the Boys' School. We believe that the Board has made no mistake in the selection of these five additional workers.

Rev. William E. Lampe, Miss Sadie Lea Weidner and Rev.

Allen K. Faust, of our Japan Mission, are home on furlough. They are willing to visit the congregations as their time and strength may permit.

The receipts for the past synodical year amount to \$96,460.39. Our current annual expenses are, at least, \$75,000. This does not include the constant extras.

The only shadow that rests upon our work in foreign lands, and weighs heavily upon the hearts of those who have it in charge, as well as those who prosecute it, is the debt. By special effort, we have been raising about \$15,000 towards its liquidation. Our expenses on the field are daily increasing, so that unless the receipts by October 1st will amount to the quarterly remittances for Japan and China, of \$15,000, we will be forced to borrow the greater portion of this amount, and thus the debt will be the same as it was a year ago, namely, \$60,000.

Many of the Classes have taken hopeful action in regard to the payment of the debt. The Board will continue to bear the liability of the debt, believing that, in due time, the pastors and people will come up to its help and pay it.

Five years ago one of our ablest divines told me, "I think we have gotten to the limit of our giving for Foreign Missions." The receipts then were \$55,000 for the year. I replied, "If I thought so, I would resign tomorrow." God has been swaying the hearts of the people in these latter years to the extent of increasing the offerings to over \$96,000 during the past year. Have we gotten to the limit of our giving? If we have, then we do not know our resources, nor the desire of the people to aid in the spread of the kingdom in distant lands.

What the Board pleads for at the hands of the Synods this fall is a deepening of the conviction that we are able to do the work which the Lord has given us to do. That all our people may come to a realization of this fact, we urge the holding of conferences for men, and the introduction of mission study in all our congregations. The Lord strengthen our faith, and give us patience in well doing.

Very sincerely yours,

ALLEN R. BARTHOLOMEW, *Secretary.*

Philadelphia, Pa., Sept. 13, 1907.

V.—The Report of the Standing Committee on Missions.

The report of the Standing Committee on Missions was presented on Saturday, during the morning session. It was read and considered item by item and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Standing Committee on Missions begs leave to offer the following report:

There were placed into our hands:

1. The annual statement of the Board of Home Missions.
2. The report of the Bi-Synodic Board of Home Missions.
3. The report of the Treasurer of the Board of Home Missions.

4. The annual statement of the Board of Foreign Missions.

Much valuable information is set forth in these reports. A note of progress and victory characterizes these papers. Nearly \$42,000 was received on the apportionment from the Eastern and the Potomac Synods for Home Missions, about \$4,000 more than during the preceding year. Legacies and Church Building Funds are acknowledged. The Zwingli Reformed Church, Harrisburg, gave a deed in fee simple of their valuable church property to the Board, to be known as the Zwingli Reformed Church Building Fund. There are now 220 of these funds. A Hungarian congregation in Chicago and one in Cleveland became self-supporting. Seven new missions were enrolled during the year. In the foreign field there is an awakening at every station. The prospects were never brighter and the needs never so great. Three churches in Japan became self-supporting. Our plant at Lakeside, four miles from Yochow, for which Dr. Hoy was both architect and contractor, is a specimen of economy and a plant of which we may feel justly proud. Five workers were added to our force in the foreign field—three ladies, two to teach in Japan and one a nurse for the hospital in China, and Rev. Irvin G. Boydstun and wife, from the Cumberland Presbyterian Church, who will be stationed in China. \$96,460.39 was received for our foreign work during the year.

The only minor notes in these reports are those touching

the lack of ministers, the need of greater liberality to prosecute our Home Missions and the debt of nearly \$60,000 of the Foreign Board.

Your committee would recommend the following action:

Resolved, 1. That Synod acknowledge with heartfelt thanks the gracious guidance of Almighty God, and for all the blessings vouchsafed unto us as a Church in our efforts to extend His kingdom at home and abroad.

Resolved, 2. That we rejoice in the goodness of God in preserving the lives and the health of our missionaries and in directing by His Spirit their earnest efforts to win souls for His kingdom.

Resolved, 3. This Synod desires to express and place on record its sense of the grievous loss it has sustained in the death of the Rev. Thos. M. Yundt, the late General Superintendent of Missions, and its grateful appreciation of the valuable services rendered, during the comparatively brief term of office, by this faithful servant of the Church to the sacred cause of missions.

Resolved, 4. That this Synod urges upon the several Classes within its bounds, and upon all the pastors of the congregations, as a matter of the utmost importance, the acceptance and the payment in full of all the apportionments for both Home and Foreign Missions.

Resolved, 5. Synod recommends the observance by all our charges and congregations of the second Sunday in November as Home Missionary Day, and that liberal offerings be made, over and above the apportionment.

Resolved, 6. Synod heartily approves the action of the Home Board in concentrating the efforts of the Church upon the work in Chicago, and we earnestly urge that the offerings on the approaching Home Missionary Day be devoted to the new church for that mission, in order to complete that work this year.

Resolved, 7. Synod commends to all our pastors and people the observance of the second Sunday in February as Foreign Missionary Day, and that large and liberal offerings be made, over and above the apportionment, for our Foreign Missionary work.

Resolved, 8. This Synod heartily endorses the movement of the Board of Foreign Missions in the present effort to secure seven thousand persons to contribute ten dollars each toward a thank-offering of \$70,000, in recognition of the seventieth anniversary of the organization of the Board occurring in the year 1908, and for the purpose of paying the debt of the Board, and providing for the present urgent needs of the Japan and China missions, and that this Synod urges the Classes, urges all its pastors and people to coöperate immediately with the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions in each Classis, so that the movement may result in a speedy accomplishment.

Resolved, 9. Synod cordially welcomes Rev. Wm. E. Lampe, Miss Sadie Lea Weidner and Rev. Allen K. Faust, and commends them to the congregations of Synod in order that they may present the Foreign Mission cause.

Resolved, 10. Synod hereby expresses its appreciation of the evidences of economy practiced by our missions and for their liberality.

Resolved, 11. Synod commends Harbor Missions to the Classes and asks for their liberal support.

Resolved, 12. Synod commends to all our pastors and people the "Home Missionary Bulletin," the formation of Mission Study Classes, the holding of Missionary Conventions, monthly missionary days in the Sunday-schools and the men's movement in behalf of missions.

Resolved, 13. This Synod expresses its earnest desire that the work of missions be carried forward with renewed zeal and earnestness, with the hope of increasing the activity and liberality in every charge and congregation.

Resolved, 14. That Synod hereby extends its most hearty thanks to all those who have given Church Building Funds, and acknowledges with gratitude the legacies received during the year.

Resolved, 15. Synod approved the action of the General Board in guarding our interests in the Hungarian Church at Trenton.

Resolved, 16. Synod hereby approves the choice of the

Bi-Synodic Board and nominates Rev. A. C. Whitmer for the office of Superintendent of Missions.

Respectfully submitted,

H. Y. STONER,

S. L. MESSINGER,

ROBERT M. KERN,

R. W. D. SCHELL,

GEO. W. HOSTERMAN.

ARTICLE XV.

FINANCE.

I.—Annual Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod.

The annual report of the Board of Trustees was read, considered item by item and finally adopted as a whole. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Board of Trustees begs leave to present the following facts and recommendations to your reverend body:

1. The organization of the Board is as follows: President, Rev. Charles E. Creitz; Vice-President and Secretary, Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D.D.; Treasurer, Mr. R. Monroe Hoffman.

2. At a special meeting of the Board, held at Reading, Pa., May 31, 1907, the following preamble and resolution was passed:

Whereas, The bond of four thousand dollars, secured with other bonds by a mortgage on the property of the Allentown College for Women, dated August 17, 1883, which bond was assigned on April 25, 1900, to the Treasurer of the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church, and one-half of another four thousand dollar bond, secured by said mortgage, have been provided for and satisfied, therefore, be it

Resolved, That C. M. W. Steck, trustee of the said mortgage, is hereby authorized and directed to give credit on the record of the said mortgage for the sum of six thousand dollars, and do all such other acts as may be necessary, so that the record will show that only fourteen thousand dollars is still due and owing on said mortgage against the property of

the Allentown College for Women. This resolution has been executed.

3. The Rev. John F. DeLong has placed into the hands of the Treasurer of Synod certificates for forty-four shares of stock of the Allentown College for Women, with power of attorney to transfer the same on the books of the said college.

4. All the Classes have now paid their apportionment in full on the Washington Memorial Reformed Church, and the note which was made by the Trustees of Shyod has been paid and canceled.

5. The Board audited the Treasurer's accounts and found them correct.

6. The term of office of Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich expires on January 1, 1908.

7. The present constitution of the Board is as follows:

R. Monroe Hoffman, term expires January 1, 1912; Rev. Cyrus J. Musser, D.D., term expires January 1, 1911; D. Nicholas Schaeffer, Esq., term expires January 1, 1910; Rev. Charles E. Creitz, term expires January 1, 1909; Mr. Samuel M. Gingrich, term expires January 1, 1908.

We made the following recommendations:

1. That Synod approve the action of the Board in canceling six thousand dollars of bonds of the Allentown Female College.

2. That Synod apportion \$500.00 for contingent expenses.

3. That Synod apportion \$700.00 to pay the interest on the bonded indebtedness of \$14,000.00 of the Allentown College for Women.

4. We recommend the following as suitable persons to fill the vacancy which will occur in the Board on January 1, 1908: Elder William Laubach, of the First Reformed Church, Easton, Pa.; and Elder J. J. Nissley, of Hummelstown, Pa., one to be voted for.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES E. CREITZ, *President*.

II.—Treasurer Leinbach's Report—Report of an Unexpired Term.

W. M. LEINBACH, *Treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:*

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr.

Schuylkill Classis.....	\$190 51
Tohickon Classis	282 19
Lebanon Classis.....	778 57
Reading Classis	926 45
Wyoming Classis.....	124 06
West Susquehanna Classis	401 22
East Susquehanna Classis.....	500 00
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	1,222 92
Lehigh Classis.....	1,000 00
East Pennsylvania Classis	350 00
Lancaster Classis	412 12
Philadelphia Classis.....	285 96

\$6,474 00

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nisley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$6,474 00
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HUNGARIAN AND BOHEMIAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

Tohickon Classis.....	\$36 00
Lebanon Classis	25 00
Reading Classis	29 00
West Susquehanna Classis	43 76
Lehigh Classis	15 00
East Pennsylvania Classis	75 00
Lancaster Classis	31 55
Philadelphia Classis.....	16 48

\$271 79

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nisley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$271 79
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HARBOR MISSIONS.

Dr.

Lebanon Classis	\$12 00
Reading Classis	29 00
West Susquehanna Classis	21 88
Lehigh Classis.....	10 00
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	25 00

\$97 88

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nisley, Treasurer Board of Missions	\$97 88
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GERMAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

West Susquehanna Classis	\$21 89
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Cr.

Paid J. J. Nisley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$21 89
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CHURCH BUILDING.

Dr.

Tohickon Classis.....	\$85 00
Reading Classis	194 00
West Susquehanna Classis	100 00
East Susquehanna Classis.....	70 00
Lehigh Classis.....	25 00
Lancaster Classis	58 35
Philadelphia Classis.....	24 35

\$556 70

Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$556 70
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THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

Dr.

Tohickon Classis.....	\$68 00
Lebanon Classis	19 00
Reading Classis	16 00
West Susquehanna Classis	57 64
Lehigh Classis.....	50 00
Lancaster Classis	16 65
Philadelphia Classis	22 13

\$249 42

Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer.....	\$249 42
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CONTINGENT FUND, EASTERN SYNOD.

October 19, 1906. Balance.....	\$558 12
Reading Classis, Inauguration Prof. Noas	6 00
Lehigh Classis.....	25 00

\$589 12

Cr.

S. M. Gingrich, traveling expenses	\$1 67
C. J. Musser, traveling expenses.....	1 75
Geo. W. Richards, services at meeting of Synod.....	5 00
A. S. Dechant, services at meeting of Synod.....	5 00
Geo. W. Stibitz, services at meeting of Synod.....	10 00
David A. Winter, for use of church at Lehigh, Pa.....	25 00
Chas. H. Leinbach, Treasurer Permanent S. S. Committee...	31 27
John Ph. Stein, salary Stated Clerk.....	175 00
Hummelstown Bank, interest to Nov. 1, 1906.....	33 28
John Ph. Stein, sundries.....	37 00
Stationery	3 00
Balance in treasury	261 15

\$589 12

CONTINGENT FUND, GENERAL SYNOD.

Dr.

Lehigh Classis.....	\$25 00
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Cr.

Paid Wm. R. Barnhart, Treasurer	\$25 00
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MEMORIAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dr.

Lebanon Classis.....	\$105 00
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Cr.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer.....	\$105 00
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INTEREST ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN.

October 19, 1906. Balance	\$59 17
Tobickon Classis.....	22 00
Reading Classis.....	6 00
Lehigh Classis.....	50 00
Lancaster Classis	8 05
Philadelphia Classis.....	6 75
January 8, 1907. Balance due the Treasurer.....	23 03
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	\$175 00

Cr.

C. M. W. Keck, interest to January 1, 1907.....	\$175 00
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ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, BOND ACCOUNT.

Dr.

October 19, 1906. Balance in treasury.....	\$182 47
January 8, 1907. Balance in treasury.....	\$182 47

CHICAGO MISSIONS.

Dr.

Reading Classis	\$17 50
Wyoming Classis	26 00
West Susquehanna Classis	47 75
Lancaster Classis	24 50
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	\$115 75

Cr.

Paid Thomas M. Yundt, Treasurer.....	\$115 75
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SEMINARY AND GERHARD FUND.

Dr.

Nicholas DeTemple, int. to Nov 26, 1906, Kieffer legacy....	\$27 50
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Cr.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer.....	\$27 50
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CATAWBA COLLEGE.

October 19, 1906. Balance in treasury.....	\$3 22
January 8, 1907. Balance in treasury.....	\$3 22

PHOEBE DRACONESS' HOME.

Dr.

Reading Classis.....	\$25 00
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Cr.

Paid D. E. Schoedler, Treasurer.....	\$25 00
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We the undersigned auditors appointed to audit the account of the

Treasurer of Synod, do hereby report that we examined the vouchers and his account and found the same correct.

C. J. MUSSER,
I. NICHOLAS SCHAEFFER,
Auditors.

Reading, Pa., Jan. 11, 1907.

III.—Treasurer Hoffman's Report.

R. MONROE HOFFMAN, *Treasurer, in account with the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States.*

CONTINGENT FUND, GENERAL SYNOD.

Dr.

Philadelphia Classis.....	\$119 42
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	106 00
Lehigh Classis.....	365 00
Schuylkill Classis.....	34 00
Reading Classis.....	29 00
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	\$653 42

Cr.

Paid William R. Barnhart, Treasurer.....	\$653 42
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CONTINGENT FUND, EASTERN SYNOD.

Dr.

January 11, 1907. Balance in treasury.....	\$261 15
East Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$57 00
Lebanon Classis.....	53 00
Lancaster Classis.....	40 00
West Susquehanna Classis.....	32 00
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	39 00
Tohickon Classis.....	47 00
Lehigh Classis.....	326 00
Schuylkill Classis.....	29 00
Wyoming Classis.....	96 00
Reading Classis.....	79 84
Reading Classis, inauguration of Prof. Noss.....	4 00
Lebanon Classis, inauguration of Prof. Noss.....	18 00
Amount transferred from account Memorial Church, Washington, D. C., for interest advanced.....	39 05
Reading Trust Co., interest on deposits.....	20 83
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	880 72
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	\$1,141 87

Cr.

C. J. Musser, expense to trustee meeting.....	\$1 46
Premium Fidelity Bond.....	17 50
Blank Book for Treasurer.....	1 00
Reformed Publication Board, printing Minutes of Synod in full	411 84
C. E. Creitz, expenses Trustee Meeting at Allentown.....	90
C. J. Musser, expenses Trustee Meeting at Allentown.....	3 96
D. N. Schaeffer, expenses Trustee Meeting at Allentown.....	1 45
R. M. Hoffman, expenses Trustee Meeting at Allentown.....	1 45
Rev. W. D. Happel, expenses Board of Visitors.....	8 59
C. J. Musser, expense Trustee Meeting.....	1 54
S. M. Gingrich, expense Trustee Meeting.....	1 60

C. M. W. Keck, Trustee, canceling Allentown College Bonds and making records.....	30
N. M. Balliett, Attorney, professional services, transferring of Allentown Female College.....	50 00
C. E. Creitz, expense Board of Visitors and Trustee Meetings..	7 00
R. M. Hoffman, stationery and postage.....	6 25
Oct. 25, 1907. Balance in treasury.....	627 03
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	\$1,141 87

HOME MISSIONS.

Dr.

East Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$2,006 00
Lebanon Classis.....	1,546 99
Philadelphia Classis.....	2,291 11
Lancaster Classis.....	2,125 29
East Susquehanna Classis.....	1,250 00
West Susquehanna Classis.....	1,906 22
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	1,681 83
Tohickon Classis.....	1,621 77
Lehigh Classis.....	2,205 26
Schuylkill Classis.....	1,516 15
Wyoming Classis.....	1,651 22
Reading Classis.....	3,340 55

Cr.

	\$23,144 39
Paid J. J. Nisley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$23,144 39

HUNGARIAN, HARBOR AND BOHEMIAN MISSIONS.

Dr.

East Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$206 00
Lebanon Classis.....	145 00
Philadelphia Classis.....	326 82
Lancaster Classis.....	201 40
East Susquehanna Classis.....	127 73
West Susquehanna Classis.....	91 00
Tohickon Classis.....	177 00
Lehigh Classis.....	606 00
Schuylkill Classis.....	167 27
Wyoming Classis.....	149 45
Reading Classis.....	396 00

Cr.

	\$2,592 17
Paid J. J. Nisley, Treasurer Board of Missions.....	\$2,592 17

CHURCH BUILDING.

Dr.

Lebanon Classis.....	\$177 00
Philadelphia Classis.....	323 47
Lancaster Classis.....	344 55
East Susquehanna Classis.....	204 67
Goshenhoppen Classis.....	367 00
Tohickon Classis.....	183 80
Lehigh Classis.....	798 00
Schuylkill Classis.....	302 00
Reading Classis.....	651 00
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	\$3,346 49

CR.

Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions..... **\$3,346 49**

SEMINARY AND GERHARD FUND.

DR.

Leonard Mountz, 12 mo. interest on Keiffer legacy..... **\$125 00**
 Abram Fackler, 12 mo. interest on Keiffer legacy..... **150 00**
 William J. Clay, 12 mo. interest on Keiffer legacy **70 00**
 Clara S. Yeager, 12 mo. interest on Keiffer legacy..... **75 00**
 Nicholas DeTemple, 6 mo. interest on Keiffer legacy..... **27 50**
 Samuel S. Shenk, 12 mo. interest on Cooke legacy **60 00**
 Henry Alleman, 12 mo. interest on Gerhard legacy **18 00**

CR.

\$525 50
 Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, interest Keiffer legacy..... **\$447 50**
 Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer, interest Cook legacy..... **60 00**
 Paid J. J. Nissley, Treasurer Board of Missions, Gerhard legacy **6 00**
 Paid John Hertzler, Treasurer Board of Education, Gerhard
 legacy **6 00**
 Paid Rev. A. R. Bartholomew, D.D., Foreign Missions, Ger-
 hard legacy **6 00**
\$525 50

CURRENT EXPENSES, THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY.

DR.

East Pennsylvania Classis..... **\$225 00**
 Lebanon Classis **87 50**
 Philadelphia Classis..... **113 80**
 Lancaster Classis **154 60**
 East Susquehanna Classis **129 92**
 West Susquehanna Classis **239 02**
 Goshenhoppen Classis..... **239 00**
 Tohickon Classis..... **156 97**
 Lehigh Classis..... **281 00**
 Schuylkill Classis **133 00**
 Wyoming Classis **109 10**
 Reading Classis **337 10**

\$2,205 91

CR.

Paid John B. Roth, Treasurer..... **\$2,205 91**

ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, BOND ACCOUNT.

January 11, 1907. Balance in treasury **\$182 47**
 October 15, 1907. Balance in treasury..... **182 47**

ALLENTOWN COLLEGE FOR WOMEN, INTEREST ACCOUNT.

DR.

East Pennsylvania Classis..... **\$104 00**
 Lebanon Classis..... **56 11**
 Philadelphia Classis..... **53 52**
 Lancaster Classis..... **49 25**
 East Susquehanna Classis..... **8 61**
 West Susquehanna Classis **59 00**
 Goshenhoppen Classis..... **71 00**

Classis.....	50 00
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Classis	26 37
Classis	99 00

\$715 86

Cr.

I. W. Keck, Trustee, 9 mos. interest.....	\$525 00
Due Treasurer, January 11, 1907.....	23 03
In treasury October 15, 1907.....	167 83
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	\$715 86

CATAWBA COLLEGE.

Dr.

11, 1907. Balance in treasury.....	\$3 22
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Cr.

A. Snyder, President	\$3 22
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INDIANAPOLIS MISSION.

Dr.

Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$3 00
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Cr.

J. Whitmer, Superintendent.....	3 00
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PHOEBE, DEACONESSES AND OLD FOLKS' HOME.

Dr.

Classis	\$6 13
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Cr.

E. Schoedler, Treasurer.....	\$6 13
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CHICAGO MISSION.

Dr.

Quehanna Classis.....	\$33 84
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Cr.

Thomas M. Yundt, Treasurer.....	\$21 92
J. Whitmer, Superintendent.....	11 92

\$33 84

OMAHA MISSION.

Dr.

Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$5 00
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Cr.

J. Zaugg, pastor.....	\$5 00
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CATECHUMENS' CHURCH BUILDING FUND.

Dr.

Pennsylvania Classis.....	\$8 46
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Cr.

J. Whitmer, Superintendent.....	8 46
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MEMORIAL CHURCH, WASHINGTON, D. C.

Dr.

Lebanon Classis.....	\$293 70
Lehigh Classis.....	433 17
Wyoming Classis.....	106 67
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	\$933 54

Interest —

Lebanon Classis.....	\$12 37	
Lehigh Classis.....	18 53	
Wyoming Classis.....	2 52	
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		\$966 96

Cr.

Paid Hummelstown National Bank, balance on loan.....	\$897 45
Paid Hummelstown National Bank, interest in full.....	30 46
Balance transferred to Contingent Fund, Eastern Synod, for interest advanced.....	39 05
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	\$966 96

Respectfully submitted,

R. MONROE HOFFMAN, *Treasurer.*

Reading, Pa., October 15, 1907.

We, the undersigned auditors, appointed to audit the several accounts of the Treasurer of the Eastern Synod, report that we have attended to the duty assigned us and find them correct.

D. NICHOLAS SCHAEFFER,
S. M. GINGRICH,

Auditors.

Reading, Pa., October 21, 1907.

Arrearage.

	Home Missions.	Hungarian, Harbor & Bohemian Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College.	Expenses of Inauguration of Prof. Noss.	Eastern Synod Contingent.	General Synod Contingent
East Pennsylvania	\$1842 00	\$129 00	\$830 00	\$123 00				
Lebanon -	1616 44	237 00	602 00	219 50	\$46 89			
Philadelphia	798 93	14 30	302 18	143 07	22 73	\$13 00	\$46 00	\$4 38
Lancaster	385 59	76 06	176 10	271 75	14 70	13 00		
East Susquehanna -	502 00	111 27	170 33	58 06	47 30		\$1 80	
West Susquehanna	59 56	94 38	368 00					
Goshenhoppen		304 00	200 00					
Tohickon	566 04	154 00	415 20	51 03	13 00	29 00		
Lehigh	3448 74	75 00	497 00	217 00	17 00			
Schuylkill	372 34	53 73	110 00	40 00	9 00			
Wyoming	615 72	104 55	473 00	88 90	23 73			\$3 00
Reading -								

In regard to the arrearages given in the Treasurer's report

on motion, this subject was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. John S. Stahr, S. E. Stofflet, H. E. Bodder Elders M. S. Fegley and R. D. W. Schall. *Vide* Article XVI, Appeals and References.

IV.—Report of J. F. DeLong, on Allentown College.

In response to item 11, the following report was presented by Rev. Jno. F. DeLong, in regard to the purchase of Allentown College for Women, which was adopted:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: In accordance with the action taken by Synod at its last annual session, I, on the 28th day of November last, purchased the shares of capital stock in the Allentown Female College, viz., twenty-one shares from East Pennsylvania Classis, twenty-one shares from Lehigh Classis, one share from the estate of Aaron Troxell and one share from the estate of C. W. Rau, making forty-four shares in all. So far as known, these are all the shares of capital stock still outstanding. The sum which I paid for these shares is two dollars, as per agreement. On the 19th of last April, I delivered the certificates of these shares of stock into the hands of Elder R. Monroe Hoffman, Treasurer of Synod, and received from him a receipt, which I herewith deliver to the Synod.

At the same session of Synod I was also instructed to have a meeting of the stockholders of the institution called as soon as the purchase of the stock was completed, for the purpose of electing trustees and at said meeting to cast the vote of these forty-four shares for the men whom Synod designated. This instruction I have not fulfilled, for the reasons which I will explain. Soon after the purchase of the stock a joint meeting of the old Board and the men whom Synod had designated was held. At that meeting it was considered preferable that the election of these trustees by the stockholders should be deferred until the regular annual meeting of stockholders, to be held in June, that the members of the Board not selected by the Synod should, one by one, resign and that the Board should fill the vacancies thus created by electing

in their places the men whom Synod had selected. Elder Nathan M. Balliet, who acted as my attorney in the whole transaction, told me that this would be all right, and, therefore, I consented to the arrangement. This election by the Board was meant to be only temporary—until the time for the regular annual stockholders' meeting in June. Meanwhile, however, your agent was informed by Lawyer Balliet and others that the laws of our state require every corporation to have at least three stockholders and that if the number of stockholders is less than three, it is not only contrary to law, but that those special powers and immunities which incorporation confers are "in abeyance." When I learned this fact, I concluded to let the election by the Board of Trustees hold over until this present meeting of Synod, report these facts to the Synod, with the following recommendations (1) that Synod sell three shares of capital stock—one to East Pennsylvania Classis, one to Lehigh Classis and one to Lebanon Classis—in order that the corporation may have the number of stockholders which the law requires; (2) that as soon as this sale of stock is effected, a meeting of the stockholders be called for the purpose of electing the trustees in accordance with the action of Synod one year ago, these trustees to be either the men constituting the present board or any other men if Synod prefer; (3) that Synod appoint and authorize some person to attend this stockholders' meeting and vote its shares of stock for men whom Synod may choose to elect as trustees of this institution.

Respectfully submitted,

J. F. DeLONG.

Rev. Dr. N. Z. Snyder was elected to vote the Synod's shares at the stockholders' meeting.

V.—Report of the Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women.

In response to item 12 in the report on Minutes of Synod, the following report was read and acted on item by item, and the entire report was finally adopted.

Pursuant to a call issued by the Rev. J. F. DeLong, D.D., the new Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for

Women, elected by Eastern Synod at Lehighton, met on January 14, 1907. After effecting a permanent organization, it assumed full charge of the institution. This first annual report of the college under Synodic ownership and control is not a record of notable achievements. But in all justice, the first year of a new regime must be regarded as a period of transition and of adjustment to new conditions. Theoretically the action of Synod marks for this school the beginning of a new career of wider influence and usefulness, but practically, it will take years for this great Synod to give an equitable share of her confidence, her love and support to this new member of her educational family. And the difficulties incident to the transfer of the school were measurably enhanced by the resignation of the President, the Rev. Thomas H. Land, D.D., on April 1, 1907. The Board felt constrained to accept his resignation and elected Miss Mabel Boak, a member of the faculty, as Dean of the College until the commencement in June, 1907.

Realizing that a permanent President is of paramount importance, your Board made earnest efforts to fill the vacancy before the close of the last scholastic year. Three strong men of the Church were successively challenged to accept the presidency, but after careful consideration, each of them declined the call, for reasons well grounded in fact. But, while the presidency is still vacant, your Board has engaged Mr. J. S. Peters, a student of the Seminary, as the Acting President. He assumed charge of his work in August and, with the consent of the faculty of the Seminary, is still at the head of affairs. The Board unanimously feels that the highest commendation is due Mr. Peters for his intelligent and zealous devotion to the college during a most trying period. And the substantial success attending his belated appointment and brief presidency vindicates strikingly the deep conviction of the alumna and friends of the college that with an aggressive and attractive personality at its head, this school, situated in the heart of the Reformed Church and having at least fifty per cent. of her constituency within one hundred miles of her doors, is bound to enter upon a prosperous career.

From the report of the Acting President we present the following facts and figures:

The enrollment of students during the past year was 85, two of whom were boarders. The graduating class consisted of three members. The total income of the college was \$4,387, and the cost of conducting the school during the same period was \$5,900, leaving a deficit for last year of about \$1,500.

During the current year, the enrollment is 75 students for the term, and the faculty consists of eight paid teachers, including the Acting President. The present Senior Class numbers nine members. Estimating the income and the expenditures for the current scholastic year on the basis of the first month, we find that we are again facing a deficit of approximately \$1,500.

These figures challenge the thoughtful consideration of Synod. Your Board considers the record of the past year and the outlook for the present year very fair, in the light of a full knowledge of the facts. But in our judgment, we are confronted with a situation urgently requiring a decisive and generous policy.

We need the unequivocal moral support of the Synod in our efforts to secure a strong man for the vacant presidency. The sum of \$1,400 is required to meet the interest of the indebtedness resting on the college. Immediate financial relief is urgently needed in order to rehabilitate our local credit. Our floating indebtedness, in the form of notes in bank and open book accounts, amounts to \$8,389.

Under the pressure of this fact, Eastern Synod at Lehighton passed a resolution authorizing the Board of Trustees of the College to issue bonds, to the amount of \$6,000, the proceeds to be applied at once to the payment of the floating indebtedness of the institution (see Minutes of Synod, page 90, item 5). Unfortunately, the wording of this resolution made it impossible to carry into effect the spirit which led to its adoption. The Board of Trustees of Synod, following the verbal instructions given at Lehighton, deemed it inexpedient to surrender to the Board of Trustees of the College, for re-investment, the bonds (\$6,000) held by them, and the Trus-

tees of the College found it to be impossible at present to increase the bonded indebtedness of the institution by issuing new bonds. Hence the immediate financial pressure remains unrelieved and is increased by the deficit of the last scholastic year. We, therefore, ask Synod to carry out the spirit of the resolution adopted last year, by instructing the Board of Trustees of Synod to borrow \$6,000. The money to be applied immediately to the payment of the larger part of the floating indebtedness of the institution. This would not increase the actual indebtedness of the college and it would re-establish our local credit.

Your Board is not ready, at this meeting of Synod, to submit an amended form of Charter. We ask you to reiterate the instruction given last year, see Minutes of Synod, page 90, item 4.

FINANCIAL STATEMENT.

The original purchase money mortgage, given to E. R.

Wright, covering the grounds purchased, was.....	\$20,000 00
Synod assumed this and paid.....	6,000 00

Leaving a balance of	\$14,000 00
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When Synod assumed this debt there was a balance of interest due on that mortgage, which still remains owing to M. H.

Wright Estate	2,211 23
Bal. 2d Mortgage Bonds, 5 per cent.....	1,000 00
Bal. 3d Mortgage Bonds, 4 per cent.....	2,350 00
Floating indebtedness, consisting of notes in bank and bank accounts	8,389 09

\$27,950 32

1. That the Board of Trustees of Synod be instructed to borrow immediately \$8,000, the money to be applied for the payment of the floating indebtedness resting on the college.

2. That the Board of Trustees of the College take immediate steps for the raising of funds to cancel the loan.

3. We gather from the report of Trustees that they are hopeful of re-building the institution, we, therefore, recommend the college to the members of the Church, urging parents of daughters to aid the Board by patronizing it.

4. Synod reiterates its instructions to the Board of Trustees, that at the next annual meeting of the Eastern Synod the Board of Trustees submit an amended form of charter.

5. That the additional sum of \$300 be apportioned on the

several Classes for payment of the interests of the indebtedness.

The terms of the following Trustees have expired: Dr. C. D. Schaeffer, Mr. E. M. Young, and Rev. H. M. J. Klein. We respectfully ask Synod to re-elect the three for a term of three years.

Respectfully submitted,

THEO. F. HERMAN,
President of the Board of Trustees.

The foregoing report of the President of the Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women was received, and after the situation was carefully canvassed, the recommendations submitted, were duly acted on item by item and adopted. The report as a whole was finally adopted.

On motion, it was resolved that the total amount of \$1,000 be granted to pay on indebtedness, and that this amount be referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, to be apportioned on the several Classes. This item was also adopted.

The Report of a Special Committee on Several Items in the Report of the Board of Trustees of Synod.

The subject matter of the foregoing report was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. S. A. Leinbach, C. M. DeLong, Calvin P. Wehr and Elders Frances and Fegley, who presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the report of the Board of Trustees of the Synod, begs leave to report:

That it has carefully considered the recommendations of the Board, and in view of the fact that we believe that the Board has carried out the spirit of the resolutions of the Synod at Lehighton, Pa., in cancelling the \$6,000 of bonds held by the Synod against the college, therefore (item 1), we recommend that Synod approve of the Board's action in this matter, and also that items 2 and 3 in the report of the Board of Trustees be referred to the Committee on Finance, and item 4 to the Committee on Nominations.

Respectfully submitted,

SAMUEL A. LEINBACH, *Chairman.*

The requirement for certain sum of money contained in the

report were referred to the Standing Committee on Finance, and the nominees suggested in the report to fill the vacancy in the Board were referred to the Standing Committee on Nominations.

VII.—Report of the Committee of Finance

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Finance presents for your consideration the following report:

There were referred to us the reports of the Treasurers, W. M. Leinbach and R. Monroe Hoffman, both of which we found properly attested by auditing committees, and the report of the Board of Trustees.

From these reports we learn that Lebanon Classis, since the last annual meeting of Synod, paid its apportionment in full for the Washington Memorial Church, and the Lehigh and Wyoming Classes their's in part.

The following Classes were reported in arrears on Eastern Synod Contingent Fund:

Philadelphia	\$46 00
East Susquehanna.....	31 00

The following Classes in arrears on the General Synod Contingent Fund:

Philadelphia	\$4 58
Wyoming	88 00

The following amounts were referred to us for apportionment:

Home Missions.....	\$40,700 00
Foreign Missions	28,900 00
Hungarian, Harbor and Bohemian Missions...	4,300 00
Church Building.....	8,025 00
Seminary Aid.....	
Allentown College	1,000 00
Eastern Synod Contingent Fund.....	500 00

Your committee makes the following recommendations:

1. That Synod requests the Classes which are in arrears on Eastern Synod and General Synod Contingent Funds to make prompt payment of them.

2. That the Classes be requested to assume the following apportionments:

CLASSES.	Home Missions.	Foreign Missions.	Hungarian Harbor & Bohemian Missions.	Church Building.	Seminary Aid.	Allentown College for Women.	Contingent Fund of Eastern Synod.	Arrearages on Gen. Synod Con. Fund.	Arrearages on East. Synod Con. Fund.
East Pennsylvania	\$4511	\$3203	\$477	\$909	\$541	\$111	\$55	...	...
Lebanon	3583	2544	379	727	429	88	44	...	...
Philadelphia	3317	2355	351	573	397	82	41	\$4 58	\$45
Lancaster	3015	2141	219	515	351	74	37	...	...
East Susquehanna	2510	1782	265	514	301	62	31	...	...
West Susquehanna	2286	1523	242	470	274	57	28	...	31
Tohickon	3239	2300	342	558	387	80	40	...	...
Goshenhoppen	2672	1897	282	545	320	66	33	...	...
Lehigh	6898	4900	729	1379	827	170	85	...	...
Schuylkill	2137	1517	228	440	355	55	27	...	...
Wyoming	2327	1652	245	478	379	57	29	...	88
Reading	4208	2986	445	515	504	104	52	...	...
	40705	28900	4303	8025	4876	1006	\$503	...	...

Respectfully submitted,

Z. A. YEARICK,

I. O. SCHELL,

E. V. LOUCKS,

A. B. SCHEFFEY,

J. M. HARTZELL.

An order of \$25.00 on the treasury was granted to Elder John B. Roth, in favor of the Consistory of the First Reformed Church, Lancaster, Pa., for the use of the Church to hold its annual session and to cover incidental expenses incurred in behalf of Synod.

Also an order of \$68.64, to pay the expenses of the Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools for service during the Synodical year, to be paid to Elder Charles H. Leinbach, Treasurer of Permanent Sunday-School Committee.

Also an order of \$2.50, in favor of Rev. Dr. E. N. Kremer, as traveling expenses for committee work on its report on publishing the names of official boards and in working out a plan for publishing the charters.

Elder R. Monroe Hoffman was re-elected Treasurer of Synod.

ARTICLE XVI.

APPEALS AND REFERENCES.

The judgment of the Committee on Minutes of Classes, in regard to the several items contained in their report under the head of irregularities, was affirmed.

The appeal of Rev. C. E. Correll, of Conyngham, Pa., from the decision of Wyoming Classis, noted in item 15 on Report on Overtures, was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. A. V. Hiester, Chas. F. Freeman, Elam J. Snyder and Elders R. B. Harrison and F. S. Allgaier, who presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee to whom was referred the appeal of the Rev. C. E. Correll, from the action of Wyoming Classis, censuring the said Rev. C. E. Correll for violating the spirit of Article 12 of the Constitution of Reformed Church in the United States, and failing to comply with certain action of said Classis, respectfully report that they have examined the documents in the case and find the appeal in order, and, therefore, recommend the following:

1. That the trial in the case be made the order of the day Monday at 3 p. m.
2. That the documents pertaining to the case be read before Synod.
3. That fifteen minutes be allowed to the appellant.
4. That the appellee be allowed twenty minutes in defense by its counsel, Rev. J. G. Kerschner.
5. That the appellant be allowed five minutes to close the case.
6. That the Synod shall then, without further debate or argument, decide the case by calling yeas and nays.

Respectfully submitted,

A. V. HEISTER, *Chairman.*

The papers referring to the case were read. The appellant read his own case and Rev. J. B. Kerschner was appointed to defend Wyoming Classis in its action.

After hearing the case, the roll was called and the ballot taken, which resulted as follows:

To Sustain the Appeal—None.

To Sustain the Appellee—Ministers: P. E. Heimer, W. U. Helfrich, J. E. Freeman, H. H. Rupp, W. H. Erb, W. H. Brong, T. C. Leinbach, W. J. Kerschner, H. E. Bodder, S. A. Leinbach, C. A. Butz, W. H. Bright, C. Santee, S. L. Messinger, A. C. Thompson, Geo. F. Miller, E. W. Lutz, G. A. Whitmore, J. H. Pannebecker, A. V. Hiester, J. S. Stahr, J. P. Dieffen-derfer, A. M. Schaffner, C. P. Wehr, S. H. Stein, R. L. Gerhart, A. A. Black, E. S. Noll, Jno. F. Frantz, D. B. Clark, C. M. De-Long, W. B. Werner, S. Sipple, G. P. Stem, Chas. F. Freeman, R. M. Kern, G. W. Richards, T. F. Herman, A. Lobach, Wm. E. Harr, H. Y. Stoner, S. R. Bridenbaugh, E. J. Snyder, Elders: C. S. Messinger, J. A. Loose, J. A. Saylor, C. Loose, I. H. Strock, H. M. Housekeeper, C. Brown, W. Frantz, C. N. Heller, J. E. Rank, J. W. Appel, A. H. Helm, C. A. Corrigan, F. I. Corbett, G. W. Hosterman, R. B. Harrison, A. C. Stahr, W. M. Hiltebeitel, G. F. Morgan, M. S. Fegley, F. Reichert—66.

*Non Lique*t—Rev. S. P. Brown and Elder C. Brown.

Defining the Action in the Correll Appeal Case.

The action of Synod on the decision of the Rev. C. E. Correll appeal case was referred to the special committee to whom it was originally referred to define the points decided by the foregoing ballot. The committee presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Eastern Synod:

Your committee to whom was referred the interpretation of the action of Synod in the Correll appeal case, respectfully report that the action of Synod puts the whole question exactly where it was before the appeal was taken, or where it would have been had no appeal been taken.

It leaves unquestioned the right of a Classis to define the boundaries of pastoral charges as its wisdom or judgment may dictate, and to impose such penalties as it may see fit when a member fails to comply with such acts as come within its province.

We further recommend that if the Rev. C. E. Correll in the future shall manifest a disposition to comply with the action of Wyoming Classis, said Classis shall meet him half

way by expurging from the minutes the resolution of censure passed at the meeting of July 22, 1907.

Respectfully submitted,

A. V. HIESTER, *Chairman.*

In Regard to the Payment of Arrearages.

In the presentation of the Treasurer's Report, the subject of arrearages was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. Jno. S. Stahr, S. E. Stofflet, H. E. Bodder and Elders M. S. Fegley and R. W. D. Shell, who presented the following report, which was adopted. It is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee to whom was referred the question whether the Treasurer of Synod should report the arrearages of Classes in the payment of their apportionments for the different benevolent interests of the Church, would respectfully offer the following report:

From a careful examination of the Treasurers' reports and the action of the Synod of Milton bearing on this subject, we learn that two factors are involved in the question, each of which has been the occasion of more or less friction and difficulty. In the first place, when the Synod of Milton took the action above referred to (see Minutes of Synod, 1897, pp. 77 and 78), it was found that there was a great deal of friction and irritation on the subject of paying apportionments of Synod in full. It was, therefore, resolved that no Classis should hereafter refuse to accept an apportionment; that such apportionment should in good faith be submitted to the charges in order that they might have an opportunity to contribute, and that the Synod should hereafter recognize not arrearages, but full payment of apportionments. The second factor is the fact that the report of the Treasurers of Synod is for the year running from October to October, while the year during which the apportionments are in the hands of the Classes extends approximately from May to May. This makes a difference, however, only in those cases where there is a material change in the apportionment from year to year.

Since the meeting of the Synod at Milton there has been a decided change in the different Classes and a great improve-

ment in the matter of accepting and paying apportionments. This has been brought about, no doubt, in part by the fostering of a spirit of harmony and coöperation and in part also by a clearer recognition of the importance of systematic and business-like methods of carrying forward the work of the Church. It is generally recognized now that the apportionments are necessary, not as a tax upon Classes and charges, but as estimates of the measure of duty and responsibility morally resting upon the various Classes and congregations to contribute towards the support of the Master's work in its various branches and departments. It is generally conceded, too, that such apportionments ought to be accepted and met according to the best ability of the members. It would seem to follow, as a matter of course, that this can be intelligently done only when Synods and Classes are kept informed not only as to the amounts of money needed, but also as to the amounts actually raised, or the amounts that failed to be raised, in any given year. At the same time, care should be taken to hold all the contributions as voluntary offerings, rather than payments in discharge of legal obligations or taxes imposed by the Synod.

Your committee would, therefore, respectfully offer the following resolution:

Resolved, That for the information of Synod and of the different Classes, the Treasurer of Synod be instructed to report the whole amount of money contributed by each Classis towards the support of the different benevolent interests of the Church, and second, the amounts lacking on the different apportionments, as *unpaid balances on the apportionment up to date*.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR, *Chairman*.

The Defining of Arrearages.

The question of arrearages, as brought to Synod's attention by Philadelphia Classis, and several other items in report on Minutes of Classes on "Subjects Referred," were referred to a special committee, of which Rev. J. S. Stahr is chairman. They presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee to whom was referred the item from Philadelphia Classis, with reference to the counting of arrearages, other than the apportionment for contingent expenses, raising the question, "What constitutes a legal claim of Synod upon the different Classes for payment by way of apportionment," would respectfully offer the following report:

The question involved is by no means free from difficulties, and longer time should have been allowed for the consideration of the legal points which enter into it. However, as an immediate report is asked for, it may be well to call to mind a few general principles which underlie the question at issue. It is evident, first of all, that every organization, and especially every corporation, must have power to do whatever is required for its own maintenance. All the expenses, therefore, which are incurred in the working of such an organization or corporation, the salaries of the officials, the cost of printing and stationery, the expenses of committees appointed to carry into effect the action of the body as a whole, etc., are included under the head of contingent expenses, and may be assessed upon and collected from the members of the body.

It is also evident that a debt incurred by the organization or corporation in a legal way, holds against the organization, and the interest must be provided for, and may be collected as a legal claim in the same way as the contingent expenses.

There is a third class of obligation which, in the opinion of your committee, cannot be collected in the same legal way. It is usually said that in such cases the claims are moral and not legal ones; but a moral claim is not for that reason less important than a legal one. The reference here is to the institutions and organizations which are said to be under the control of the Synod, and which carry forward very important departments of the work of the Church. These organizations are usually themselves corporate bodies, and have their own boards of trustees who manage their affairs. The work of these organizations may be of prime importance to the Church; but indebtedness incurred in their running cannot be said to be the legal indebtedness of the Synod, and all pro-

visions made for their operation, the apportionments made upon the Classes for their support and maintenance, are assumed to be a claim for voluntary contributions, and as such are not, in the judgment of your committee, legally collectable. The question of counting the unpaid amounts of apportionments in their favor as arrearages has already been acted upon by this Synod and needs no further consideration at our hand.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN S. STAHR,

J. H. PANNEBECKER, S. L. MESSINGER,
G. W. HOSTERMAN, J. A. LOOSE.

ARTICLE XVII.

COMPLAINTS.

In response to the 11th item in the report on Overtures, a complaint is lodged by Lebanon Classis against the action of the German Philadelphia Classis (German Synod of the East), in receiving the Old Klopp's Church, Bethel Township, Berks County, Pa..

The complaint was referred to a special committee, consisting of Revs. C. Noss, H. H. Rupp, D. B. Clark and Elders C. N. Heller and E. S. Shaner, who presented the following report, which was adopted:

Your committee, to whom was referred the complaint of Lebanon Classis against the action of the German Philadelphia Classis, in receiving the Old Klopp's Church, Bethel Township, Lebanon County, Pa., reports that it has examined the papers in the case and heard the representative of Lebanon Classis.

Your committee recommends that Lebanon Classis be advised in accordance with Article 83 of the Constitution, to bring its complaint before General Synod.

Respectfully submitted,

CHRISTOPHER NOSS, *Chairman.*

Action of Synod in Regard to the Sending of Moneys to the General Superintendent of Home Missions and to the Secretary of Board of Foreign Missions.

In response to item 6 in report on Minutes of Classis, a committee was appointed, consisting of Revs. J. E. Freeman, D. B. Clark, S. L. Messinger, Elders C. N. Heller and W. M. Hildebeitel, who presented the following report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee to whom were referred several items in the report of the Committee on Minutes of Classes, containing requests and references from the Classes of Wyoming, West Susquehanna, Lancaster and Reading, relative to the sending of moneys for Home and Foreign Missions direct to the General Superintendent of Home Missions and to the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions, reports the following recommendations:

(1) That Synod rescind its action of last year. (See Minutes, 1906, p. 81.)

(2) That Synod reiterates item 8, page 79, Minutes, 1906, reading as follows:

“Resolved, That the Treasurer of Synod and the Treasurers of the various Classes be instructed, through the various Classes, to make monthly remittances of all moneys received for Home and Foreign Missions, and that the treasurers of congregations be urged to make prompt remittances to the Classical Treasurers.

(3) That the Treasurers of Classes be instructed, through the Classes, to call the attention of congregations, when tardy, to the need of promptness in remitting these moneys.

(4) That the Treasurers of Classes be instructed, through the Classes, to furnish the General Superintendent of Home Missions and the Secretary of the Board of Foreign Missions from time to time with the information which these officers may desire, in order to keep in touch with individual congregations.

Respectfully submitted,

J. E. FREEMAN, Chairman.

ARTICLE XVIII.

SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.

The report of the Sunday-School Board of the General Synod was referred to the Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools:

The Report of the Sunday-School Board of the General Synod to the District Synods of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: We beg to submit a brief report of the work of the Sunday-School Board of the General Synod for the past year, and to call your attention to a few facts deserving emphasis at this time.

(1) THE BUSINESS DEPARTMENT

The annual balance sheet of the Periodical, Sunday-School Supplies and Book Departments, including gross sales, gross gains, net gains, assets and liabilities, is prepared by a certified accountant, who reports directly to the Board.

From this statement of assets and liabilities for the year ending March 31, 1907, the following exhibit is given:

ASSETS.		
Cash in banks and on hand	\$4,643 93	
Inventory:		
Sunday-school supplies, cost, \$8,590.06, less 10 per cent.	7,731 05	
Book Department, cost, \$3,124.31, less 10 per cent.	2,811 88	
Paper for periodicals	1,505 44	
Accounts receivable	12,080 05	
Cuts, plates, electros, one-third charged off each year	963 12	
Cost of furniture and fixtures to date, \$2,599.87, all charged off but	405 08	
Reformed Church Building: Appropriations to date, from earnings of Business Department..	12,796 02	
		<u>\$42,936 57</u>
LIABILITIES.		
Periodicals paid in advance	\$4,034 97	
Royalty due	93 26	
Capital April 1, 1906	33,277 07	
		<u>37,405 30</u>
Net gain for year	\$5 531 27	

The sales for the year were \$68,601.28, a gain of \$3,339.46 over the preceding year.

The sales of the Business Department are recorded under three heads: (1) The Periodical Department; (2) Sunday-School Supplies Department; (3) The Book Department.

It is gratifying to report that the agency contract arranged with the Central Publishing House, Cleveland, Ohio, has been a factor in the increased sales of the Periodical Department.

(2) THE REFORMED CHURCH BUILDING IN PHILADELPHIA.

The work of the past year is noteworthy because of the fact that contracts were made for the erection of a seven-story, fire-proof office building. By the time this report reaches your reverend body, the building will be under roof. It is hoped to place some of the tenants in the building before the end of the year. The Boards of the Church will not occupy the building until January and February, 1908. From the rentals assured there is every prospect of meeting not only the running expenses and the interest charges on the building, but also to gradually reduce the rentals to the Boards of the Church. In addition, the Boards will have advantageous quarters, and the Church an office building, which cannot fail to give dignity and strength to the general work of the denomination. Some liberal individual gifts have been received. A number of Sunday-schools have contributed, and some money has been invested by members of the Church in the form of Annuity Bonds. These Annuity Bonds bear interest to the donors during the lifetime of the beneficiary, and at the death of the survivor the principal belongs without conditions to the Church.

Including the money appropriated from the earnings of the Business Department, about \$50,000 has been secured for this movement.

The mortgage placed upon the building affords the unusual privilege of payment of principal at any interest period. This opens the way for investment in the building by individuals in the form of annuity bonds as well as the securing of additional gifts to reduce the indebtedness.

The importance of this office and administration building to the Reformed Church, in the economical and efficient

management of the general benevolent operations, cannot be questioned. It will stand as a helper to every good cause.

Gifts of the living and bequests should be made, in order that the entire income of the building can be used to advance the missionary, the publishing and Sunday-school operations of the Church.

Let liberal gifts be made now, while the building is being erected.

We trust, therefore, that individuals will help and that our congregations and Sunday-schools will be challenged to assist in making the Reformed Church Building a constant blessing to every congregation, and to the Church at large, and to the extension of our Lord's Kingdom.

(3) OUR SUNDAY-SCHOOL LITERATURE.

The total number of periodicals printed for the second quarter of 1907 was 271,178—a gain of 8,379, as compared with the second quarter of 1906. The most encouraging gain, perhaps, is that of the Heidelberg Teacher, representing some 1,500 copies.

In addition to the weekly, monthly and quarterly Sunday-school periodicals, the Board has published, during the last fiscal year, Festival Services and miscellaneous Sunday-school supplies, to an aggregate number exceeding one-half million.

In the literature produced by the Board we find a powerful reason for its existence. The Board does not exist to issue books and publications in order to pay official salaries, or to run a business department. It does not exist to make money and to increase its assets, but to produce the printed page that strengthens faith and builds up life—most of all, to issue literature adapted to the needs and to the all-impressible period of childhood and youth. No one can doubt that through its superior Sunday-school literature our Board is rendering a most valuable service to the Church. Literally, millions of copies of Sunday-school literature, periodicals and requisites are printed and scattered annually, like good seed in the good ground of young hearts and minds. In our Sunday-schools all over the land these helps to the higher life,

so valuable for the study of God's Word, surely have been the means of leading to the truth, of enlightening the mind and of creating a Christian sentiment in the community where they have been circulated. We have a right to expect an intelligent and appreciative understanding of the worth of our literature to the Church, and a settled purpose to support it loyally.

(4) OUR MISSIONARY DEPARTMENT.

The detailed financial statement of the Missionary Department will be presented at the approaching meeting of the General Synod, but it is encouraging to know that the receipts of the past year were the largest in the history of the Board. These amount now to nearly \$4,000, but more could wisely be used in this department. Through grants of literature to scores of schools, the printed page bears its testimony for good. This last year we have aided as usual nearly three-score schools, either in starting or continuing to exist as Sunday-schools. Work has been done, through the employment of Sunday-school missionaries, in Indianapolis, Indiana; Freeport, Illinois; Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, and Akron, Ohio.

The most rapidly growing feature of our Missionary Department has been the aid extended to our Hungarian brethren. During the year a contract was entered into with the Presbyterian Board of Publication and Sabbath-School Work, and in conjunction with them we are now issuing a monthly Hungarian Sunday-School Evangel, Quarterly Hungarian Picture Cards and a Weekly Hungarian Reformed Sentinel.

Next to the presence of the living missionary, this Christian literature is vital to the formation of Christian character and the proper type of American citizenship.

It is pleasant to report increased receipts during the current year for this missionary work, but the expense of publishing this Hungarian literature has exceeded original estimates; we trust therefore, that schools and individuals will be challenged to give liberally to this important cause.

(5) OUR EDUCATIONAL WORK.

The educational efforts of the Board are growing in extent and importance. These are represented not only by the publications and literature issued, but also by the more thorough organization of the general work of Synods and Classes, and a constant agitation towards securing a higher standard for the Sunday-school. At the present time, in nearly every Synod, through the Synodical Sunday-School Boards, definite efforts are being made to stimulate the schools through an Increased Missionary Campaign. The standard aimed at is to secure a ten per cent. increase in the membership of the school, fifteen per cent. in giving to missions, and the formation of a missionary library and of a Sunday-school workers' library.

We trust your reverend body will continue to encourage the schools of the Church, through the Classes, to form Teacher Training Classes, to grade their schools, and to cultivate a missionary spirit and larger missionary giving.

More and more it is coming to be seen that the moral and religious instruction of the children of the land depends upon the work done through the Sunday-school as an agency of the Church. To secure the constant presence of the youth of the Church in the school, and to aid in the religious instruction of the children in the home, it is well to recognize the importance and necessity of having the adults enrolled in the schools of the Church. *The Organized Adult Class* is a movement in recognition of this need. During the past year many of our Reformed schools have organized their Senior Classes, and testimonies are frequent as to the good results growing from the more thorough organization of the adult class. In order to aid in this work and to stimulate the adult membership of the church to more faithful Bible study, your Board has published, beginning with the fourth quarter of 1907, *The Home Department Quarterly* and *Adult Class Magazine*. The wisdom of preparing the same lesson material for members of the Home Department and scholars of the senior classes is apparent. In addition, the information of methods of work and the news of successful organized Adult

classes, as given in this periodical, cannot fail to stimulate the interest of Home Department members. The price of this new periodical, beginning with January 1, 1908, will be thirty cents per single copy per year, and twenty-five cents for club subscriptions, per year.

We trust your reverend body will emphasize the value of the organized adult class, and the use of the *Home Department Quarterly* and *Adult Class Magazine* in our congregations and schools.

As an educational institution, the Sunday-school is constantly gaining in recognition, and the demand is upon us for an enlargement of the scope of its work. If the State spends its millions in public school education, is it not manifest that the Church, as the spiritual mother of God's children and as bearing responsibility for the moral and religious education of the children and youth, must give increasing time and attention to the oversight and development and the larger usefulness of the Sunday-school and its allied educational agencies?

May we not express the hope that your reverend body will give ample time for the consideration of the general Sunday-school work of the Church, and that the prayer of thanksgiving will ascend for the blessings vouchsafed during the past year, and the earnest supplication that the way may be opened for such advances as will most adequately discharge the obligations resting upon us.

Respectfully submitted,

C. CLEVER, *President.*

RUFUS W. MILLER, *Secretary.*

September 12, 1907.

Annual Report of Permanent Committee on Sunday-School Work.

The annual report was read by Dr. S. P. Heilman and referred to Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Permanent Committee on Sunday-School Work begs to report that it held a first meeting at Reading, Pa., February 12, 1907, mapped out work for the then current Synodical year, took action toward calling the atten-

tion of Classes to items 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, page 110, Minutes of 1906 Synod, having reference to a Reformed Church Building, Mission Study, Adult Bible and Teachers' Training Classes; the use of Reformed Church Literature and Lesson Helps, and the Increased Membership and Missionary Campaign, inaugurated September 18, 1906. The latter, by action of your committee, was extended so as to close April 1, 1908, instead of April 1, 1907, as first announced, and at the same time modified to provide for a second position, entitled Honorable Mention, of all of which due announcement was made in the *Reformed Church Messenger* of February 28, 1907. At this meeting also the Rev. Henry Harbaugh Rupp, of Easton, Pa., was appointed a member of the committee, to fill the vacancy caused by the removal from the bounds of the Synod of the Rev. Dr. Samuel L. Whitmore, who was a member of the committee, which your committee trusts is to the approval of Synod.

Your committee held a second meeting, in Philadelphia, October 8, 1907, which meeting the members of the Classical Committees of the Classes were invited to attend, of which there were present representatives of nine Classes and one Classis by letter. This joint or conference meeting engaged in hearing reports as to Sunday-school work done in the Classes, conventions held, the present status of the Increased Membership and Missionary Campaign now under way in the bounds of this Synod, considering the matter of "improved statistics," and other matters, as appears further on in this report.

1. *Work Done.*—From verbal reports, as well as from the printed Minutes of the Classes, it appears that all the Classes not only took action, but positively favorable action, as to items 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6, page 110, Minutes of 1906 Synod, as specified hereinbefore, and we are bound to believe that thereby and with God's blessing, a still larger measure of activity is to characterize our present and future Sunday-school work.

2. *Sunday-School Conventions.*—Of eight Classes reporting as to Sunday-School Conventions, four reported having held Reformed Conventions, three as having done their convention work in affiliation with the State or County Sabbath-School

Association, and one Classis as not having held any convention for a number of years, and from four Classes there are no reports as to convention work. The trend of opinion was that Sunday-School Conventions, as open events to impress the public, in that sense alone are interesting and profitable, and in a special sense make for good in fostering community of purpose, interchange of experience, higher ideals and effectiveness in methods; that whilst immediate results may not be forthcoming, yet the leaven of advance may be greatly energized. Your committee heartily recommends Synod urging the Classes to utilize this important factor for good in our Sunday-school operations.

3. *The Increased Membership and Missionary Campaign.*—Reference to this in a former part of this report shows it now as under way, and to promise gratifying results. Pittsburg Synod, by a similar campaign, claims to have added 5,000 to its Sunday-school membership in one year. A number of schools in the Synod already report having made the additions asked for in the campaign and having received the promised awards. Your committee has been, and now is, actively engaged in canvassing the field and stimulating this work. In this matter of Increased Membership and Missionary endeavor, your committee, as well as your reverend body, must stand in sympathetic attitude towards those brethren facing the adverse conditions inherent to Union Sunday-schools, of which latter there are no less than 200, of the 569 schools in this Synod, or about thirty-three per cent. of union schools.

4. *Improved Statistics.*—To the matter of improved statistics, referred to your committee by your body one year ago, careful and prolonged consideration was given. Inquiry shows that in other churches there is a strong trend to less detail, greater simplicity and the elimination of non-essentials in their Sunday-school statistics. The sum total of the joint discussion was to prompt your committee to recommend Synod overturing General Synod to amend the Sunday-school statistical blank now in use to provide as follows:

1. Name of charge.
2. Name of Classis and the year.

3. Name and address of the pastor.
4. Name and address of the Superintendent.
5. Name and address of the Primary Superintendent.

Under "Membership:"

1. Officers and Teachers.
2. Scholars.
3. Cradle Roll.
4. Home Department.
5. Total Enrollment.
6. Average Attendance, not including the Cradle Roll and Home Department.

Striking out "Number of Months School is Open" and "Number of Union Schools."

Under "Church Relation":

1. Scholars in Full Membership of the Church, with an explanation below that the words "the Church" shall mean any denomination.
2. Baptized Scholars (but not Confirmed).
3. Scholars Received During the Year into Full Membership.

Under "Education:"

Strike out: "Is the Catechism Used in the School?"

Strike out: "Do You Use Reformed Lesson Helps?"

Strike out: "Into How Many Departments is the School Divided?"

1. Retaining: "Number of Books in Library."

Under "Contributions:"

The four columns as they are on present blank—1. To Sunday-School Work of General Board; 2. To Other Church Boards and Institutions; 3. To Other Benevolent Objects; 4. To Support of School; 5. Total—adding, however, explanations below as to their exact bearing. The whole of the foregoing scheme is exhibited on a sheet accompanying this report. The six items of "*explanation*" in the matter referred to your committee by the Synod, page 96, 1906 Minutes, are included in the foregoing recommendation; the sixth, however, amended to insert "Or the Classical Committee on Sunday-School Work" after the words "Stated Clerk of Classis," the substance of said explanations to be entered upon the blank.

The Annual Report on Sunday-School Work.

Of the.....	Charge of.....
to the Classis of.....	for the year ending....., 19.....
Name of Pastor.....	Postoffice Address.....
Name of Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....
Name of Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....
Name of Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....
Name of Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....
Primary Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....
Primary Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....
Primary Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....
Primary Superintendent.....	Postoffice Address.....

MEMBERSHIP.	CHURCH RELATION.	EDUCATION.	CONTRIBUTIONS. See Explanations.
NAMES OF ALL THE SUNDAY-SCHOOLS IN CONNECTION WITH THIS CHARGE.	Average Attendance, not including the Home Department and Cradle Roll ..	Scholars Received During the Year Into Full Membership ...	Total . . .
	Total Enrollment . . .	Baptized Scholars (but not Confirmed) . . .	To Support of School .
	Home Department .	Scholars in Full Mem- bership of the Church.	To Other Benevolent Objects.
	Cradle Roll		To Other Church Boards and Institu- tions
	Scholars		To Sunday-School Work of General Board
	Officers and Teachers		

Date....., 19.....

Approved by Consistory,....., Secretary.

Secretary of Sunday-School.....

EXPLANATIONS.

5. *Other Recommendations.*—Your committee recommends Synod overturing General Synod to use the American Revised Version in the Lesson Helps.

Your committee further recommends Synod urging the Classes:

a. Those Classes not doing so already, to bear the expenses of their Classical Committee to the annual joint or conference meeting of this committee and those committees, as an incentive for larger attendance; your committee being convinced of great good to be derived by these conference meetings.

b. To place into the hands of the chairman of this committee a copy of their Minutes as soon as issued.

c. To clearly state in their Minutes the names and addresses of their Classical Committee on Sunday-School Work.

d. To request their Classical Committees on Sunday-School Work to hold a meeting within eight weeks after the annual meeting of Classis, for the purpose of canvassing the Sunday-School work in the Classis, and at said meeting kindly to bear in mind certain suggestions now being framed by the General Sunday-School Board, and at an early day to be placed in the hands of said Classical Committees, in which suggestions the responsibilities, scope of work and special line of activity of said committees are to be more definitely set forth.

Your committee is constituted as follows:

Elder C. H. Leinbach, Reading Classis. Term expires 1911.

Elder S. P. Heilman, M.D., Lebanon Classis. Term expires 1910.

Rev. J. W. Meminger, D.D., Lancaster Classis. Term expires 1909.

Rev. H. H. Rupp, East Pennsylvania Classis. Term expires 1908.

Rev. A. S. Dechant, Philadelphia Classis. Term expires 1907.

As the persons of the present committee are in good working accord, the election of the Rev. A. S. Dechant to succeed himself is respectfully asked for.

Your committee had expenditures during the year aggregating \$68.64, which, if granted, may be paid to Elder C. H. Leinbach, Reading, Pa., the Treasurer of the committee.

With thankful hearts to Almighty God for many blessings during the past year, and praying that His Holy Spirit may further guide us in our work, and that of our reverend body, this report is

Respectfully submitted,

S. P. HEILMAN,

H. H. RUPP, *Sec'y.*

J. W. MEMINGER,

C. H. LEINBACH,

ABNER S. DECHANT,

Rev. Harry W. Bright, Norristown, Pa., was elected a member of Sunday-School Permanent Committee.

The Report of the Standing Committee on Sunday-Schools.

The report on Sunday-schools was presented on Monday, and acted on item by item and finally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Sunday-Schools beg leave to offer the following report:

By a review of the reports of the Sunday-School Board of the General Synod and the Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools, we glean the following:

The General Sunday-School Board has again passed through a very flourishing year. There has been a gain in all the departments.

In the business department, the report shows that the sales for the past year were \$68,601.28, a gain of \$3,339.46 over the preceding year. We also note the erection of the office building of the Sunday-School Board in Philadelphia, which is nearing completion, and which we believe will be of great advantage to the different Boards of the Church. In the Sunday-school literature department we also note an advance. Very much more is printed during 1907 than formerly.

In the missionary and educational departments, the report of the Board shows an encouraging forward movement, and there are hopeful signs. We note that the work is ever moving onward and the Board ought surely to be commended for the work it is pushing so successfully on.

The Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools of your

reverend body reports having held meetings and mapped out work. The reports of the Classical Committees show that favorable action was taken by the different Classes on items 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, page 110, Minutes of Synod 1906.

In view of the encouraging work that is now going on in this department of the Church, your committee would recommend the following for your adoption:

1. *Resolved*, It approves the adoption of the blank statistical form, as recommended by the Permanent Committee on Sunday-Schools, with the addition of a space for contributions to the local church. A copy of which is here appended.

2. *Resolved*, That this Synod recommends the use of the American Revised Version in the Lesson Helps, and overtures General Synod to approve the recommendation.

3. *Resolved*, (a) That the several Classes bear the expenses of their Classical Committees to the different meetings of the Permanent Committee. (b) To place into the hands of the chairman of this Permanent Committee a copy of the Minutes of Classes as soon as issued. (c) That Classes clearly state in their minutes the names and addresses of their Committee on Sunday-School Work, and (d) To request the Classical Committee to hold a meeting within eight weeks after the annual meeting of Classes, and at said meeting bear in mind the actions framed by the General Sunday-School Board.

4. *Resolved*, That Synod rejoices in the completion of the Reformed Church Building and in the growing missionary and educational work of the Sunday-School Board, and requests Classes to commend the General Sunday-School work to churches and schools for an annual free-will offering.

5. *Resolved*, That Synod heartily approves of the Home Department Quarterly and Adult Class Magazine, and requests Classes to recommend to their schools the formation of the Organized Adult Class and the use of the Home Department Quarterly and Adult Class Magazine.

6. *Resolved*, That the bill of \$68.64, incurred by the Permanent Committee be approved and the amount ordered to be paid.

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE H. MILLER, I. H. SHACK,
SAMUEL H. STEIN, CHAS. E. SHECKLER,
A. M. SCHAFFNER.

Classical Committees, Eastern Synod, 1907.

East Pennsylvania Classis.

Rev. H. H. Rupp, Easton, Pa.
 Rev. H. G. Ehret, Bethlehem, Pa.
 Rev. J. G. Rupp, Northampton, Pa.
 Elder J. Kichline, Bangor, Pa.
 Elder H. J. Boyer, Easton, Pa.

Lebanon Classis.

Elder S. P. Heilman, M.D., Heilmandale, Pa.
 Rev. J. Lewis Fluck, Myerstown, Pa.
 Rev. H. E. Bodder, Lebanon, Pa.

Philadelphia Classis.

Rev. A. C. Thompson, Norristown, Pa.
 Elder James McIntire, Spring City, Pa.
 Rev. E. V. Loucks, Blue Bell, Pa.
 Elder S. G. Boltz, Philadelphia, Pa.
 Rev. E. C. Hibshman, Philadelphia, Pa.

Lancaster Classis.

Rev. Wm. F. Lichliter, Lancaster, Pa.
 Rev. D. G. Glass, Lancaster, Pa.
 Rev. Chas. E. Roth, Lancaster, Pa.
 Elder E. H. Burkholder, Farmersville, Pa.
 Elder G. J. P. Raub, Quarryville, Pa.

East Susquehanna Classis.

Elder Chas. C. Lark, Esq., Shamokin, Pa.
 Elder Leo Horn, Sheppton, Pa.
 Elder Arthur Bubb, Dalmatia, Pa.
 Elder D. M. Stine, Elizabethville, Pa.
 Elder Jere B. Nuss, Bloomsburg, Pa.
 Elder C. B. Witmer, Sunbury, Pa.

West Susquehanna Classis.

Rev. H. I. Crow, Hublersburg, Pa.
 Rev. E. T. Rhodes, Lewistown, Pa.
 Elder D. K. Miller, Lock Haven, Pa.

Tohickon Classis.

Rev. Scott R. Wagner, Riegelsville, Pa.
 Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., South Bethlehem, Pa.
 Rev. W. H. Mader, Easton, Pa.

Goshenhoppen Classis.

Rev. W. B. Werner, Schwenksville, Pa.
 Rev. C. M. DeLong, East Greenville, Pa.
 Elder H. Bobb, East Greenville, Pa.

Lehigh Classis.

Rev. Geo. B. Smith, Kutztown, Pa.
 Rev. Robert M. Kern, Allentown, Pa.
 Rev. Thos. H. Krick, Coplay, Pa.

Schuylkill Classis.

Rev. O. H. Strunck, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
 Rev. W. D. Stoyer, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
 Rev. G. W. Hartman, Orwigsburg, Pa.
 Elder I. W. Tyson, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.
 Elder Daniel Otto.

Wyoming Classis.

Rev. W. D. Happel, D.D., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.
 Rev. Alfred Houts, Orangeville, Pa.
 Rev. Joseph E. Guy, Danville, Pa.

Reading Classis.

Rev. H. Y. Stoner, Reading, Pa.
 Rev. D. I. Schaeffer, Leesport, Pa.
 Rev. R. Brown, Esterly, Pa.
 Elder C. H. Leinbach, Reading, Pa.
 Elder S. R. Barnett, Reading, Pa.

ARTICLE XIX.

PUBLICATION.

The undersigned begs leave to report, in response to item 16 in the report on Minutes of Synod, that, in compliance with instructions given, 4,400 copies of the Minutes of the Eastern

Synod for 1906, held at Lehighton, Pa., were printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distributed among those entitled to receive them, according to the rules and regulations of Synod in the case. The printing was done under the direction of the Reformed Church Publication Board. The expense incurred for printing the same was \$411.84. The minutes were issued from the press and distributed in the latter part of December.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk.*

The Stated Clerk was instructed to have 4,400 copies of the Minutes of Synod printed, bound in pamphlet form, and distribute the same among the several Classes and to those entitled to receive them.

Annual Report of the Publication Board of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: By instruction of the Publication Board, the undersigned, President and Secretary of said Board, submit to your reverend bodies a report of the present condition of your publication interests. In order that the Synods may obtain a clear apprehension of the standing of their plant, we hereby submit to them in full the report of Rev. A. S. Bromer, the Business Manager, which he presented to the Board at its regular meeting on September 4, 1907. We ask your careful examination of this report, which is as follows:

To the Publication Board of the Reformed Church:

DEAR BRETHREN: In submitting a financial statement and a report of the general conditions which prevailed during the last fiscal year, the whole might be summed up in the word "progress." The rate of progress, possibly, is not what some may have hoped for, but when the outlook three years ago is taken into consideration, we have reason to congratulate ourselves that the Publication Board of the Reformed Church was able to extricate itself financially and thereby save the *Messenger* from inevitable bankruptcy.

The volume of business in the Book Department is somewhat less than last year, but this is fully accounted for by the

heavy orders during 1905 to 1906, owing to the fact that churches postponed their purchases until the new Hymnal was placed on sale.

The sale of the Hymnal is steadily maintained, as revealed by the fact that this summer we were compelled to print another edition of the Music Hymnal.

The *Messenger* shows a considerable gain over previous years, and this no doubt will be received with satisfaction by the members of the Board. We have lost a considerable number of subscribers who were enrolled at the \$1.25 rate, but if each pastor would give the management just a little aid during the coming year, the *Messenger* could be placed on a sound financial basis. Might it not be well to challenge the pastors, through the Synods this fall, to make another effort in behalf of the *Messenger*?

Your manager begs leave to call your attention to the fact that the statement shows a net gain of \$1,370.09, after deducting \$500 for old plates, \$325.13 for outstanding *Messenger* subscriptions and \$100 for wear and tear on furniture and fixtures.

The financial statement is as follows, and speaks for itself:

RESOURCES AND LIABILITIES.

RESOURCES.

Cash	\$6,636 22
Accounts receivable—Book Department	2,584 71
Accounts receivable—Advertising Department ..	1,169 24
Merchandise—Book Department	10,653 09
Merchandise—"Messenger"	515 46
Furniture and Fixtures	1,141 17
Rent paid in advance	250 00
"Messenger", subscriptions due	3,781 76
"Review," subscriptions due	407 00
	<hr/> \$27,138 65

LIABILITIES.

"Messenger," subscriptions paid in advance	\$4,293 92
"Review," subscriptions paid in advance	250 00
Capital, June 30, 1907.....	22,594 73
	<hr/> \$27,138 65

LOSSES AND GAINS.

	BOOK DEPARTMENT.	Loss.	Gain.
Inventory, July 1, 1907	\$11,153 09		
Reduction in value old plates.	500 00		
	<hr/> \$10,653 09		
Credits for the year.....	18,248 40		
	<hr/>	\$28 901 49	

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Inventory, July 1, 1906	\$11,943 87		
Debits for the year	15,206 81		
	<u> </u>	\$27,150 68	
Royalty from Sunday-School Board			\$1,750 81
			750 00
MESSENGER.			
Inventory, July 1, 1906	\$516 52		
Debits for the year	12,631 90		
	<u> </u>	\$13,148 42	
Inventory, July 1, 1907	\$515 46		
Credits for the year	12,161 53		
	<u> </u>	12,676 99	
			\$471 43
Subscriptions paid in advance	\$4,293 92		
Subscriptions due	4,106 89		
	<u> </u>	\$187 03	
Charged off as uncollectible ..		325 13	
		<u> </u>	\$512 16
REVIEW.			
Debits for the year	\$849 87		
Credits for the year	736 50		
	<u> </u>	\$113 37	
Subscriptions due	\$407 00		
Subscriptions paid in advance	250 00		
	<u> </u>	157 00	
			43 63
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES.			
Inventory, July 1, 1906	\$1,248 57		
Debits for year	148 36		
	<u> </u>	\$1,396 93	
Inventory, July 1, 1907	\$1,241 17		
Deduct for wear and tear	100 00		
	<u> </u>		
	\$1,141 17		
Credits for year	65 00		
	<u> </u>	1,206 17	
			190 76
Net gain		1,370 09	
		<u> </u>	
		\$2,544 44	\$2,544 44

We wish to call your attention to a few facts revealed by this report. In the first place, it shows the condition of the business on July 1, 1907. It also shows that the gain in the Book Department is not as large as that of last year. The cause for this fact is explained by the manager in the above report; and that the gain on the Review falls below last year's gain. But what causes us great pleasure is the fact that the *Messenger's* showing is much better than that of last year. A little effort on the part of the pastors and friends of the paper will place the *Messenger* on a self-supporting basis.

Will the Synods endeavor to have this extra effort made? It will also be noticed that, notwithstanding a deduction of \$925.13 for old plates, etc., the net gain of the entire plant this year is \$1,370.09 as over against \$741.25 of last year. Your Board feels encouraged by the general presentation of the condition at this time.

Objections have been made in some quarters to the nature of some of the advertisements admitted to the *Messenger* and to the distribution of the advertisements throughout the columns. We wish to say that both the Board and the Business Manager are as anxious as anybody else that none but proper advertisements should appear in the *Messenger* and that they should be inserted in such places in the paper as not to interfere with the reading matter. But they have been made to understand the present condition of the advertisement business as many persons who have no connection with it possibly do not understand. The time was when religious papers were sought by the business people, who looked upon such papers as the best mediums for advertising. That time is past, the main question with advertisers now is the circulation of the paper. They seek the periodicals that circulate widely. And the country has come to be filled with all kinds of papers and magazines of such large circulation, that papers like the *Messenger*, with so small a subscription list, have difficulty in getting advertisements at all. It is not because our Business Manager does not have a proper conception of the character of the advertisements that ought to appear in the columns of a religious paper nor because of a lack of tact in the arrangement of the matter that there is ground for complaint, but because the financial status of the *Messenger* compels him to secure a certain amount of support through advertisers, and under the circumstances feels himself constrained to admit to the columns of the paper some advertisements which he otherwise would reject. *Many obnoxious ones are rejected by him.* The Board is persuaded that the Manager is doing the best he can, in present conditions, in this matter as in all others. If the *Messenger* had a circulation of fifty thousand, things would be materially changed in every respect.

If, in the judgment of the Synods, the management of their publication affairs merits it, they are respectfully requested to give it encouragement and support, and to co-operate with those in charge to enlarge the circulation of its periodicals and to increase the business of the Book Department.

The term of office of Revs. C. R. Ferner and C. S. Slagle expires with this year. The attention of the Synods to which these brethren belong is called to these vacancies.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. BICKEL, *President.*

A. E. TRUXAL, *Secretary.*

October 1, 1907.

Report of the Standing Committee on Publications.

The Committee on Publications submitted its report on Saturday. It was carefully considered and adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Standing Committee on Publications respectfully reports as follows:

From the annual report of the Publication Board, we glean the following:

First. That the past year has been a year of encouraging progress.

Second. That the volume of business in the book department is slightly less than during the year preceding, for satisfactory reasons.

Third. That the net gain for the year is \$1,370.09, as over against \$741.25 of the previous year, and that the capital of the Board now is \$22,594.73.

Fourth. That the *Messenger* shows such gain as to make it almost self-sustaining.

Fifth. That the *Review* continues to sustain itself with a creditable balance left over.

In view of these facts, your committee respectfully recommends:

First. That the Synod rejoices in the progress made and that it hereby commends the Board for its efficient and busi-

ness like management, and expresses its grateful appreciation of the able editorship of the *Messenger* and the *Review*.

Second. That the attention of all our ministers be called to the book department as a channel through which they can be promptly and advantageously served in the purchase of books.

Third. That the splendid standard reached and maintained by the *Messenger*, the fact that it is almost self-sustaining, and the additional fact that it is the property and the organ of the Church be regarded as the three-fold incentive for this Synod, through its Classes, to urge pastors, elders and deacons to a united effort to secure new subscribers, so that by the end of another year it may be self-sustaining.

Fourth. That Synod rejoices in the success with which the *Review* is filling its place in our Church, and, therefore, commends it anew to both ministry and laity.

Respectfully submitted,

C. B. SCHNEDER,	J. E. KURZENKNABE,
A. A. BLACK,	JOHN L. SAYLOR,
J. G. KERSCHNER.	

ARTICLE XX.

BETHANY ORPHANS' HOME AND OTHER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

I.—Bethany Orphans' Home.

The forty-third annual report of the Bethany Orphans' Home was referred to your Standing Committee, and also the following report received from its Superintendent:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

REVEREND FATHERS AND BRETHREN: We beg leave to call your attention to the forty-fourth annual report of Bethany Orphans' Home, hoping that you may find it interesting and inspiring and that you may heartily rejoice with us over the measure of prosperity which the institution has been permitted to enjoy during the past year.

We fully recognize and appreciate the fact that the Home

owes much to your help. Many within the bounds of your Synod have cheered us with their presence and sympathy, and encouraged us with their valuable donation and their generous contribution towards the support of the institution; and in the future, as in the past, we will try to merit the continuance of your confidence and help by caring faithfully for such of your children as are entrusted to our keeping. There are now one hundred and five Eastern Synod children in the Home.

We desire to call the attention of Synod to the new "History of Bethany." This is a revision of the book published in 1888, with additional matter, bringing the narrative up to date. It is an interesting story of faith, hope and love ministering successfully, in the name of Christ, to hundreds of destitute orphan children. Pastors and people can read the history with benefit to themselves as well as to the advantage of the Home.

Respectfully submitted,

WILSON F. MORE, *Superintendent.*

II.—Report of the President of the Board of Trustees of the Phœbe Deaconess Home, Allentown, Pa.

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

REVEREND AND DEAR FATHERS AND BRETHREN: I herewith respectfully submit my fourth annual report.

The current year has been one full of blessing to the Phœbe Deaconess Home. The health of all its inmates has been unusually good. Lectures in all the departments of study were given by able lecturers and were regularly attended by all the candidates in training of the Home. The probationers have made commendable progress in their studies. The Ladies' Auxiliary now numbers about one thousand members; the number of corporation members has been considerably increased. The contributions for the Home's support have increased, and the manifest interest in the institution by those who have learned to know its mission is indeed very encouraging.

There are now thirteen inmates in the Home, namely: Miss

Baur, the matron; four young ladies in course of training, five old ladies and the necessary helpers.

A movement was put on foot to raise funds to pay off the remaining indebtedness on our grounds and erect an annex to our present building, sufficiently large to more than double our present capacity, during the present year, and we are encouraged to hope that our efforts will be crowned with success. Nine thousand dollars are at our command for the erection of this annex, three thousand dollars of which has been raised by the Ladies' Auxiliary, and six thousand dollars is the gift, the name of the donor of which is withheld for the present.

With this enlargement of our buildings, the Home will be in a position to more than double its present number of candidates for the office of the Christian deaconess, and can provide also for a larger number of old people.

The prospects for an increase in the number of students in our Training School are encouraging. Withal, it is felt that there should be many more young women of the Church who may be led to heed the call to this important department of woman's work in the ministration of mercy.

The receipts of the Home from June 10, 1906, to June 11, 1907, were \$5,628.86, and the expenses during that period aggregate \$5,477.52; thus leaving a balance in the treasury of \$151.34.

Thanksgiving Day has been set as "Phœbe Deaconess Home Day," on which contributions are asked from our congregations for the support of the Home.

"The Red Booklet" published by the Board contains much information concerning the Home, and persons desiring copies can secure them from the matron, Miss Johanna M. Baur, 1923 Turner street, Allentown, Pa.

We ask the Synod to take such action as will commend this young and needy institution to the confidence and support of all our pastors and consistories.

Respectfully submitted,

A. B. KOPLIN, *President of Board.*

III.—Annual Report of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and Their Widows.

To the Eastern Synod:

REV. FATHERS AND BRETHREN: Permit me, as Treasurer of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows of the Reformed Church in the United States, to present, for the information of your reverend body, the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same within your bounds, for the year ending September 30, 1907:

RECEIPTS.

Received from Philadelphia Classis	\$242 72
Received from Reading Classis.....	193 63
Received from Lancaster Classis	149 94
Received from West Susquehanna Classis.....	124 53
Received from Lehigh Classis	131 00
Received from Wyoming Classis.....	90 15
Received from East Susquehanna Classis.....	72 64
Received from Tohickon Classis.....	65 00
Received from Schuylkill Classis.....	65 00
Received from Goshenhoppen Classis	65 00
Received from East Pennsylvania Classis.....	21 02
Received from Lebanon Classis	7 26
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	\$1,227 89

EXPENDITURES.

East Pennsylvania Classis, paid to five annuitants.....	\$295 00
East Susquehanna Classis, paid to five annuitants.....	260 00
Lehigh Classis, paid to five annuitants.....	250 00
Lancaster Classis, paid to four annuitants.....	325 00
Philadelphia Classis, paid to three annuitants.....	125 00
West Susquehanna Classis, paid to two annuitants.....	135 00
Wyoming Classis, paid to two annuitants.....	125 00
Reading Classis, paid to one annuitant.....	100 00
Schuylkill Classis, paid to one annuitant.....	75 00
Tohickon Classis, paid to one annuitant.....	75 00
Goshenhoppen Classis, paid to one annuitant.....	60 00
Lebanon Classis, paid to one annuitant	50 00
	<hr/>
	\$1,875 00

In view of the above statement, the hope is expressed that in the coming year the offerings for the cause of relief will be more liberal, so that no needy minister or widow may suffer from lack of help in time of need.

With the prayer that the Holy Spirit may guide your deliberations, I am, yours fraternally,

SIMON S. MILLER,
Treasurer and Solicitor.

The officers of the above Society present for publication in the minutes of your reverend body the following statement of the receipts and expenditures of the same for the year ending September 30, 1907:

RECEIPTS.

Cash in treasury, as per last report.....	\$3,687 72
Cash from loans paid	9,975 00
Cash from interest from investments.....	3,347 76
Cash from collections in the churches.....	3,148 72
Cash from individual gifts	289 20
Cash from bequest of Miss Rebecca Pott.....	104 80
Cash from royalty from Church Hymnal.....	640 50
Cash from royalty from Sunday-school Hymnal.....	92 36
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	\$21,286 06

EXPENDITURES.

Loans paid, Re-invested	\$9,975 00
New investment—	
Life Memberships.....	\$1,920 20
Bequest of Miss Rebecca Pott.....	104 80
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	2,025 00
Paid 76 annuitants	4,755 00
Treasurer's salary and bond.....	610 00
Treasurer's traveling expenses.....	54 12
Postage and stationery.....	39 15
Printing	9 00
Expenses of Executive Board.....	2 90
Cash in treasury, Sept. 30, 1907.....	3,815 89
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	\$21,286 06

ASSETS OF THE SOCIETY.

Invested fund	\$75,290 00
Cash in treasury, September 30, 1907.....	3,815 89
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	\$79 105 89

LIFE MEMBERS.

The following have become life members during the year: Revs. William C. Houpt, Henry N. Smith, Frank Grether, D.D., Louis D. Baus, Frederick Mayer, D.D., Conrad Iffert, Thomas K. Cromer, Frank L. Kerr, A. H. Herbst, Henry H. Wiant, C. George Shupe, Willoughby Millhouse, James S. Freeman, Paul Wienand, Harvey S. Nicholson, Louis C. Harnish, Isaac M. Schaeffer, W. F. Horstmeier, D.D., Chas. L. Hartman, John J. Stauffer, Charles E. Wagner, Charles L. Noss, John F. Bair, Elias F. Faust, Henri L. G. Kieffer, J. Arthur Schaeffer, Elias S. Noll, William B. Werner, William A. Korn, Ph.D., William A. Yeisley, Urban C. E. Gutelius,

Walter E. Garrett, Chas. W. Warlick, W. J. Johnson, and D. Franklin Boomershine.

OFFICERS OF THE SOCIETY.

Rev. J. David Miller, President, Shepherdstown, W. Va.; Rev. Ellis N. Kremer, D.D., Vice-President, Harrisburg, Pa.; Rev. David N. Dittmar, Secretary, Jefferson, Md.; Rev. Simon S. Miller, Treasurer and Solicitor, Frederick, Md.; Rev. E. R. Eschbach, D.D., and Rev. Isaac M. Motter, Adsessors, Frederick, Md.

HONORARY VICE-PRESIDENTS.

Rev. J. A. Hoffheins, D.D., Potomac Synod, Martinsburg, W. Va.; Rev. E. R. Deatrick, B.D., Pittsburgh Synod, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.; Rev. S. B. Yockey, D.D., Ohio Synod, Xenia, Ohio; Rev. Wm. F. Curtis, Synod of the Interior, Kansas City, Mo.; Rev. Frederick Mayer, D.D., Central Synod, Youngstown, Ohio; Rev. J. W. Gossheusch, Synod of the Northwest, Plymouth, Wis., and Rev. A. E. Dahlman, D.D., German Synod of the East, Buffalo, New York.

SIMON S. MILLER,
Treasurer and Solicitor.

IV.—Report of the Board of Ministerial Relief of the Reformed Church in the United States.

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Board of Ministerial Relief of the Reformed Church begs leave to lay before your reverend Synod some account of its work, and to ask for it your prayerful interest and that consideration which you will no doubt cheerfully give to so important an undertaking of our General Synod.

It is a pleasure to report that the interest of our Church in this good work is growing. The contributions of the past year are nearly double those of the preceding one. They were \$417.24, of which sum the congregations in your territory gave \$33.40.

Whilst this amount has not been large enough to carry out the wish of the General Synod, "to aid every minister in good and regular standing in our Church, if needy," the increased giving encourages the Board to believe that the Church really

means to take up this work more generally in the future than it has done in the past.

Assistance has been given to worthy brethren for whom no provision had been made by the Church and to some whose support from other sources was inadequate; and the Board has learned that it is by no means without a place or a work in our Church activity.

Two beneficiaries of the Board died during the year, and the relief extended to them and to others awakens gratitude to almighty God, who has seen fit to put it into the heart of our General Synod to enter upon this benevolent work.

At the late meeting of the Board five applications for relief were presented, and unless this shall prove to be an exceptional year, others will be made later.

The Board has so far been able to respond favorably in every case which the representatives of the Classes to which the applicant belonged have recommended.

This year the Board found it necessary to promise more money for relief than the churches gave last year. These promises were made in faith, believing that the Church will respond the more liberally as it learns the need.

For the present, the Board asks your reverend Synod to commend this work to the Classes and congregations within your jurisdiction, as you would do for any other undertaking of the General Synod; and further, that you take such action as will secure for this benevolence the endorsement and support of the several Classes, so that every congregation in our denomination may have at least the opportunity of regularly aiding the General Synod in its effort to care for the needy, worthy servants of the Church.

In the name of the Board,

Very respectfully yours,

J. M. SCHICK, *Secretary*.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 4, 1907.

V.—Report of Standing Committee on Bethany Orphans' Home and Other Benevolent Institutions.

The report on Orphans' Home and Other Benevolent Institutions was submitted on Monday, during the afternoon. It

was considered and acted on in its several items and formally adopted. The report is as follows, to wit:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your Committee on Orphans' Homes and Other Benevolent Institutions would respectfully report:

The following papers were placed in our hands:

The Forty-Fourth Annual Report of Bethany Orphans' Home.

The Report of Rev. W. F. More, Superintendent of Bethany Orphans' Home.

The Report of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows.

The Report of the Board of Ministerial Relief.

The Report of the Board of Trustees of the Phoebe Deaconess Home, Allentown, Pa., together with a copy of the Constitution, Rules, etc., of the same, and the Third Annual Statement.

ORPHANS' HOME.

1st. We rejoice in the measure of prosperity which Bethany Orphans' Home has enjoyed during the past year. 145 children were cared for, a new cottage was erected; the total receipts from all sources were \$16,850.93; the expenditures were \$15,316.75.

Resolved, That we anew commend this worthy cause to the prayerful consideration of all our people and ask that the cause of the orphans be given their hearty and liberal support.

OTHER BENEVOLENT INSTITUTIONS.

From the report of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows we gather these facts:

\$1,227.89 have been contributed by the congregations of this Synod; \$1,875.00 have been paid to thirty-one annuitants.

The Board of Ministerial Relief received \$417.24, of which \$33.40 were contributed by the congregations of this Synod.

Resolved, That we ask for these Societies the liberal support of all our congregations, that their work may be enlarged and successfully carried forward.

We also propose the following:

WHEREAS, The charter and by-laws of the Society for the Relief of Ministers and their Widows seem to require that all moneys designated for making life members be placed in its interest fund; and,

Whereas, The Society is unable, for want of available funds, to minister to the relief of its beneficiaries as it ought and as it should like to do; therefore,

Resolved, That this Synod respectfully overture the several Classes not to designate more than one-half of their annual contributions to the making of life memberships, and that the remainder shall be made available for the present needs of the Society.

Resolved, That every minister of the Reformed Church in good and regular standing is, by virtue of his ordination and his standing as a minister in the Reformed Church, eligible to such aid and benefit as the Society may be in position to give.

PHOEBE DEACONESS AND OLD FOLKS HOME.

There are at present thirteen inmates in the Home—four of whom are in course of training and five old ladies. Efforts are being made to secure the funds for paying the indebtedness of the Home so that the scope and work of the Home may be enlarged.

The receipts of the Home from June, 1906, to June, 1907, were \$5,628.86, the expenses, \$5,477.52. A donation to the Home, the donor's name being withheld.

In view of the work done and contemplated by this Home,

Resolved, That this Synod commends this institution to the confidence and support of all our pastors and congregations.

Resolved, That the proposed gift of the unnamed donor be contemplated with a profound sense of gratitude.

Resolved, That the pastors of this Synod make an effort to induce able, consecrated young women to consider the work of deaconess.

Respectfully submitted,
 CHARLES A. SANTEE, GEO. A. WHITMORE,
 WM. H. ERB, FRANKLIN REICHERT.

ARTICLE XXI.

CHURCH GOVERNMENT.

Report of Committee on Charter of Synod.

In response to item 20 in the report on Minutes of Synod, in regard to the validity of the charter of Synod, a committee was appointed, consisting of N. M. Balliet, Esq., of Lehighton, Pa., and the Stated Clerk, who presented the following as their report, which was adopted:

To the Reverend Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: At the last meeting of Synod at Lehighton, the question was raised whether or not the Act of April 26, 1855, Section 7, and the Act of April 14, 1905, affected the charter of our Synod. The answer to this is, No.

Eastern Synod was incorporated under the special Act of March 30, 1859, by the Legislature of Pennsylvania. Under this special act of incorporation, the Synod's power is defined and no prior nor subsequent legislation can affect its charter. The charter is legal and need not be amended to validate it, as provided by the Act of April 14, 1905.

Respectfully yours,

N. M. BALLIET,

JOHN PHILIP STEIN.

Publishing Names of the Various Boards and the Several Charters.

In response to item 12 in report on Minutes of Synod, the following report was read and adopted, as far as made, and the committee continued. It is as follows, to wit:

To the Eastern Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States:

DEAR BRETHREN: Your committee to whom were referred items 1 to 6, pages 94 and 95, Minutes of Synod 1906, beg leave to report:

Items 1 and 3 suggest the publication of the names of the members of the several boards, and those of the various officials of the Church. Your committee finds that the purpose of the above items is satisfactorily met in the Almanac of the Reformed Church in the United States, to which publication those desiring the needed information are referred.

We recommend, however, that the names of members of Boards of this Synod, and the names of members elected by the Synod to serve on other Boards, with their respective terms of office, be published in one place in the Minutes of Synod, under the title "Members of Boards," and that said title be entered in the index.

Items 3 to 6 suggest the publication of the charters of the various organizations of the Church. Your committee has not been able to arrive at an approximate estimate of the expense, nor to recommend the form of such publication. We regard the purpose of said items as highly desirable and that such a publication would be of great service to the Synod. We, therefore, recommend that the committee be continued, with instructions to report to the Synod of 1908.

Expenses incurred by committee, \$2.50.

Respectfully submitted,

ELLIS N. KREMER,

S. L. WHITMORE,

JNO. PH. STEIN.

ARTICLE XXII.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The Standing Committee on Nominations, to whom were referred the vacancies occurring in the several Boards, presented their report on Saturday, during the morning session, which was adopted. The ballot was ordered to be printed and the election was made the order of the day at 2:30 p. m.

At the time designated, the President appointed Revs. J. F. Frantz, E. V. Loucks and Elders L. Erdman and D. Deatrich to act as tellers.

The roll was called and the ballot taken, which resulted as follows:

On the Board of Trustees of Synod—Elder Wm. Laubach, Easton, Pa.

On the Sunday-School Board—Rev. H. W. Bright, Norristown, Pa.

On Board of Trustees of Franklin and Marshall College—Rev. J. W. Santee, D.D., Fort Washington, Pa.

On Board of Trustees of the Allentown College for Women—
To serve three years—Revs. H. M. J. Kline, Allentown, Pa.;
E. M. Young, Allentown, Pa.; F. C. Seitz, Allentown, Pa.
To serve for two years—Rev. J. F. DeLong, D.D., Bethlehem,
Pa.; Elder N. M. Balliet, Esq., Lehigh, Pa.; E. H. Ren-
ninger, Esq., Allentown, Pa. To serve for one year—Revs.
F. W. Dickert, Reading, Pa.; Rev. F. F. Herman, Allentown,
Pa.; Elder N. A. Haas, Allentown, Pa.

*For Synod's Representative in the Election of Trustees for the
Allentown College for Women—*Rev. N. Z. Snyder, D.D., South
Bethlehem, Pa.

Time and Place for Next Annual Session of Synod.

Invitations were received from St. Luke's Church, Lock Haven, and from the Sunday-School Board to hold its next session in Philadelphia. Synod expressed its choice in the selection of Lock Haven, Pa., and decided to hold its next annual session October 14, 1908, at 7:30 p. m., in St. Luke's Reformed Church, Lock Haven, Pa.

The Report of the Press Committee.

At the opening of the session, the President appointed Revs. H. E. Harr, Robert M. Kern and T. H. Fisher as reporters to the press. At the close of the session, the following report was presented and adopted:

To the Eastern Synod:

DEAR BRETHREN: The Press Committee begs leave to report the following: That we note the presence of representatives of the press of Lancaster City and of Philadelphia, who made daily reports of our sessions to their respective papers, and that a report is now being prepared for the Reformed Church *Messenger*; also that members of this Synod were appointed to send all the news to the papers of the cities and towns of Eastern Pennsylvania within the bounds of this Synod, and that we recommend that the officers of Synod make arrangement previous to the time of its meeting, with the papers of Philadelphia, to send them news directly from Synod, in order to secure more comprehensive reports. That

we express our thanks to the members of the press for their faithful reports.

Signed,

WM. E. HAAB, *Chairman.*

Resolution on American Tract Society.

On the second day of the session, the courtesy of Synod was tendered to Rev. Geo. L. Shearer, Secretary of the American Tract Society, who addressed Synod in regard to his effort in disseminating evangelical literature, which was well received by Synod, and on the day following this action was unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That we express our high appreciation of the services rendered by the American Tract Society, in the way of helping to provide for all churches a sound evangelical literature and in attending to its distribution in thirty-six languages, to the immigrants in our own land, and in one hundred and seventy-four languages on missionary fields abroad.

Resolved, That we heartily commend this Society to Classes, congregations and individuals, in the hope that, so far as practicable, liberal offerings will be made in support of the Society's work.

An Invitation to Visit the College Buildings.

The invitation of the authorities to visit the college buildings was accepted, and the members of Synod adjourned on Friday at 3 p. m. and proceeded to view the college buildings and the new academy in process of erection. The combined faculties of the institution were assembled in Goethean Hall, from whom the members of Synod received a cordial greeting. A luncheon was provided by the authorities of the Academy, College and Seminary, in the dining room of the Seminary, in which the members of Synod and others participated. Abundant evidence was shown that the courtesy and hospitality was appreciated.

Committee Appointed to Note the Presence of Advisory Members.

The President, at the opening of the session, appointed Revs. A. C. Thompson, Wm. B. Werner and Elder Frantz to report from time to time the presence of advisory members

and visiting brethren, together with their Classical and Synodical relations. Daily reports were received and the names reported were incorporated in the Minutes of the present Synod.

Excuse for Leave of Absence.

On the fourth day of the session, the President appointed Revs. S. P. Brown, A. Lobach and S. E. Moyer a Committee on Leave of Absence. At the close of the session, the committee presented its report, stating valid reasons in excusing those constrained to absent themselves from further attendance. The report was accepted.

ARTICLE XXIII.

RESUMPTION AND CLOSE.

The following resolutions of thanks were offered and unanimously adopted:

Resolved, That Synod hereby expresses its sincere appreciation for the generous hospitality and courtesy of the acting pastor and people of the First Reformed Church, Lancaster, Pa., for their splendid reception on Thursday evening and for the admirable arrangements which the congregation made, through its officers, for expediting business, and for the comfort and convenience of its members.

Resolved, That Synod hereby expresses its gratification at the splendid manner in which the congregation have refitted the old First Church, and congratulate them upon the vigorous and aggressive spirit which characterize its present life.

Resolved, That Synod expresses its hearty appreciation for the uniform courtesy and splendid luncheon and reception extended to its members on Friday last by the authorities of the Theological Seminary, Franklin and Marshall College and Franklin and Marshall Academy.

Resolved, That Synod extends to the organist and choir of the First Reformed Church its most hearty thanks for their excellent and inspiring music, and the valuable service they rendered during the session of Synod.

Resolved, That Synod extend its hearty thanks to the Hammond Typewriter Company for the courtesy shown in placing typewriters and operators at the disposal of the members.

Resolved, That the sum of twenty-five dollars be paid to the Treasurer of the First Reformed Church, for the use of the church and to defray necessary incidental expenses.

The business of Synod being completed, the roll was called and the members of Synod present answered to their names and attendance recorded. Those absent for reasons given were excused.

The minutes of the fifth day of the session were read and approved, whereupon the minutes as a whole were adopted.

ARTICLE XXIV.

ADJOURNMENT.

The following resolution was adopted before adjournment, namely:

Resolved, That when Synod adjourns finally it be to meet in annual session, October 14, A. D. 1908, at 7:30 p. m., in St. Luke's Reformed Church, Lock Haven, Pa.

Synod adjourned finally on Monday, at 6 p. m., October 28th, with religious service.

The members of Synod assembled in front of the chancel, united in the confession of faith and in the Lord's Prayer.

The hymn "Blest be the tie that binds" was sung and Synod was dismissed with the Apostolic benediction.

HARRY W. BRIGHT, *President*.

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

Copy of the official minutes.

Attest:

JNO. PH. STEIN, *Stated Clerk*.

The Several Boards of the Eastern Synod

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF EASTERN SYNOD.

ELDER WM. LAUBACH, Easton, Pa.....Term expires, January, 1913
ELDER R. MONROE HOFFMAN, Reading, Pa..Term expires, January, 1912
REV. CYRUS J. MUSSER, Philadelphia, Pa...Term expires, January, 1911
ELDER D. NICH. SCHAEFFER, Reading, Pa...Term expires, January, 1910
REV. CHARLES E. CREITZ, Reading, Pa.....Term expires, January, 1909

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(Eastern Synod.)

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Term Expires December, 1910.

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JAS. F. HUNSICKER, Allentown, Pa. JNO. J. NISSLEY, Hummelstown, Pa.

Term Expires December, 1908.

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JOHN HERTZLER, Lancaster, Pa.

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(Eastern Synod.)

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Term Expires 1908.

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E. M. YOUNG, Allentown, Pa.	N. M. BALLIET, Esq., Lehigh, Pa.
REV. F. C. SKITZ, Allentown, Pa.	E. H. RENNINGER, Esq., Allentown.

Term Expires December, 1908.

REV. T. W. DICKERT, Reading, Pa.
REV. T. F. HERMAN, Allentown, Pa.
N. A. HAAS, Allentown, Pa.

STATISTICAL REPORTS

MINISTERS.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.		MEMBERS.										ADDITIONS.			LOSSES.			SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.			CONTRIBUTIONS.		Minutes Wanted.
					Communicants.	Communed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Re-natal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Expiation of Names.	Deaths, Communion.	Deaths, Uncom.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Students for Ministry.	Renewal Purpose.	Congregational Purpose.				
J. E. Smith, D.D.					288	257	200	18	3	6	16	3	3	1	8	140	...	\$160 04	\$675 00			
J. E. Smith, D.D.					138	109	80	4	1	2	3	3	6	1	11	58	...	81 30	500 00			
J. E. Smith, D.D.					194	111	100	3	3	3	3	6	1	9	73	...	28 46	300 00			
J. E. Smith, D.D.					57	27	50	3	1	1	1	1	9	58	...	94 80	130 00			
J. E. Smith, D.D.					302	216	135	14	...	...	6	2	...	...	7	1	1	4	230	...	232 00	607 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					145	96	77	8	4	5	6	1	1	2	15	104	...	53 00	488 00			
J. E. Smith, D.D.					613	460	210	12	...	...	20	14	...	...	7	1	1	12	70	...	45 00	500 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					351	341	472	34	...	...	41	5	...	...	12	1	1	44	345	...	1140 00	6176 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					230	230	160	20	...	...	2	4	...	...	10	2	2	30	150	...	175 00	7000 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					1331	910	537	14	93	17	14	9	3	125	1230	...	161 00	980 00				
J. E. Smith, D.D.					683 00	11979 00				
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J. E. Smith, D.D.					130	106	75	11	14	9	10	1	1	28	185	...	146 00	4242 00				
J. E. Smith, D.D.					618	240	100	11	23	0	11	1	1	10	125	...	219 00	016 00				
J. E. Smith, D.D.					94	67	60	3	...	...	5	1	...	...	1	2	2	15	100	...	88 00	1170 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					70	60	25	3	...	...	5	5	...	...	3	3	1	12	60	...	55 00	150 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					57	55	50	7	...	...	6	5	...	...	3	3	1	28	119	...	52 00	32 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					206	173	180	10	...	...	16	6	...	...	4	1	1	27	297	...	310 00	3000 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					206	206	116	19	...	...	8	5	...	...	15	1	1	17	167	...	69 00	1513 00
J. E. Smith, D.D.					315	240	120	22	16	3	6	3	1	35	245	...	526 00	5078 00				
J. E. Smith, D.D.							

H. H. Long	Stone Church, Pa.	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STATISTICAL REPORTS

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R. H. Long	Stone Church, Pa.	1	340	170	130	26	1	27	3	5	9	2	1	16	240	150 00	900 00	13	
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F. A. Guth	815 N. 7th St., Allentown	1	202	175	96	20	4	4	6	4	1	21	178	190 00	780 00	3	
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		1	33	31	14	5	3	0	2	2	30	7 00	75 00	..	
H. H. Rupp	Easton, Pa.	1	254	169	106	12	2	2	27	246	419 56	7124 23	10	
P. E. Helmer	Wesport, Pa.	1	230	145	100	25	19	1	29	18	307	178 00	2738 00	25	
J. E. Freeman	East Mauch Chunk, Pa.	1	253	128	109	24	8	10	8	15	151	68 00	2777 00	14	
R. F. Reed	Freemansburg, Pa.	1	216	168	154	15	14	10	8	25	161	200 82	1533 14	10	
A. P. Francis	Catawauqua, Pa.	1	476	370	410	16	15	22	4	28	270	425 00	4172 00	14	
Paul S. Leinbach	Easton, Pa.	1	671	459	178	14	12	42	64	4	20	12	5	42	510	4934 00	16191 00	25	
A. G. Peters	Bethlehem, Pa.	1	244	208	160	18	2	4	20	170	92 00	700 00	24	
		1	112	68	84	9	11	77	36 00	265 00	..	
G. W. Royer	Palmerton, Pa.	1	40	22	60	12	2	17	180	10 00	205 00	..	
		1	43	20	30	6	2	15	177	14 00	512 00	..	
		1	112	82	103	5	10	2	23	161	81 00	1277 83	10	
I. H. DeLong, Inc.	Lancaster, Pa.	1	130	113	80	2	2	12	65	90 00	481 47	8	
C. H. Lerch, Inc.	Easton, Pa.	1	10	9	25	8	7	45	..	502 00	..	
Ray J. Freeman	Tatamy, Pa.	1	349	253	215	2	10	52	405	298 95	2298 26	12	
Vacant		1	47	34	13	2	2	47 00	210 00	0	
Vacant		1	50	55	55	2	10	16	3	2	1	15	100	20 00	241 00	8	
F. C. Neu	Easton, Pa.	1	112	82	103	5	10	2	23	161	81 00	1277 83	10	
F. E. Smith, D.D. (sup.)	Bath, Pa.	1	130	113	80	2	2	12	65	90 00	481 47	8	
J. N. George (sup.)	Siegfried, Pa.	1	10	9	25	8	7	45	..	502 00	..	
		1	349	253	215	2	10	52	405	298 95	2298 26	12	
		1	47	34	13	2	2	47 00	210 00	0	
		1	50	55	55	2	10	16	3	2	1	15	100	20 00	241 00	8	
		61	13457	10224	6561	743	29	612	540	206	233	233	105	71	1290	2	511554	100	490
	Totals																		

Totals		61	13457	10224	6561	743	29	612	540	206	233	233	105	71	1290	2	511554	100	490
W D Donat, Stated Clerk.																			
Bernville Charge.																			
Bernville Charge—																			
St. Thomas, Bernville		450	400	300	8	23	2	28	5	12	10	11	..	1	50	175	975 00	3250 00	..
St. John's, Host		450	407	280	23	7	2	20	4	5	..	6	2	1	30	125	71 00	500 00	..
Zion's, Strassstown		222	225	175	7	2	20	5	5	5	..	9	2	1	10	150	..	1000 00	..
North Heidelberg		120	110	75	6	..	..	..	3	3	3	3	10	..	150	..	40 00	100 00	..
St. Paul's, Robeson		230	210	130	13	11	5	2	1	1	15	..	17 00	3000 00	..
Christ Church, Jefferson		55	50	15	1	1	5	1	15	..	27 00	60 00	18

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MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.		ADDITIONS.			LOSSES.			SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.		Ministers Wanted.							
			Communicants.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Easure of Names.	Deaths, Commun.	Deaths, Uncon.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.		Students for Ministry.	Benevolent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.				
Chas. B. Alspach	4923 Royal St., Philadelphia	Mt. Hermon	66	64	4	4	4	6	59	4	26	1	1	14	146	146	38	8458 94	10			
Chas. B. Dechant	6512 Ellwood Ave., Oak Lane	Reformed Church, Oak Lane	71	60	30	30	1	9	5	4	10	1	1	25	193	193	125	5161 00	8			
Abner H. Eisman, Ph D	5910 Girard Ave., Philadelphia	Palatinate	203	228	112	14	6	17	31	15	15	1	1	42	494	494	433 75	4050 00	16			
Abner H. Bromer	2606 N. 11th St., Philadelphia	Grace	690	585	135	19	5	17	32	16	15	4	2	52	673	673	1830 00	7403 00	15			
A. H. S. Fisher	2617 N. 29th St., Philadelphia	Calvary	219	212	95	14	2	4	20	3	37	1	1	31	419	419	69 00	4306 00	12			
Albert H. Gillingham	Spring City, R. F. D. 1.	Brownback's	268	216	52	3	8	2	4	2	5	2	2	23	203	203	208 00	2000 00	13			
Frank H. West	St. Peter's	St. Peter's	67	66	21	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	55	55	53 00	245 00	4			
Chas. F. Finkle, D. D.	1206 Wallace St., Philadelphia.	First Church, Philadelphia	488	396	54	23	9	33	31	13	16	7	1	42	321	321	1418 00	5273 00	12			
Edwin J. Hinkle	4210 Market St., Philadelphia.	Prof. Ursinus School Theol	164	140	40	6	1	5	10	10	26	3	1	37	285	285	302 59	1554 59	12			
Wm. J. Midyett	3346 N. Sydenham St., Phila.	Tioga	239	176	12	4	4	11	19	5	1	1	1	23	239	239	234 00	1720 00	10			
Wm. D. Galt	Phoenixville, Pa.	St. John's	113	79	12	2	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	17	145	145	93 40	650 00	8			
Calvin C. Bright	Anselma, Pa.	St. Paul's	115	99	15	2	1	1	1	4	2	1	1	21	74	74	90 85	623 00	8			
Emmet W. Lee	Norristown, Pa.	Ascension	346	269	80	13	2	11	9	5	1	2	1	32	214	214	735 00	2946 00	16			
Harry Eisenberg	1909 W. Marshall, Norrist'n	Christ Church, Norristown	265	230	83	6	4	7	17	5	1	3	1	25	291	291	373 07	3379 13	10			
Benjamin S. Regan	1541 N. 7th St., Philadelphia	Trinity, Philadelphia	543	440	36	15	2	22	20	15	15	6	1	64	533	533	6105 00	6575 00	18			
J. M. Regan	North Wales, Pa.	St. Luke's, North Wales	192	164	72	2	1	3	1	12	3	4	1	26	237	237	762 00	1774 00	12			
James L. Thompson	Spring City, Pa.	First Church, Spring City	436	378	118	22	11	11	12	10	31	4	4	46	703	703	1189 65	2399 50	12			
Arthur C. Loucks	3641 Locust St., Philadelphia	St. John's, Philadelphia	351	294	3	3	6	13	15	14	45	6	1	27	275	275	449 66	2151 80	12			
Arthur C. Loucks	917 Swede St., Norristown.	Trinity, Norristown	412	338	122	22	3	18	13	2	9	9	4	48	526	526	1703 00	7853 00	13			
Arthur C. Loucks	Blue Bell, Pa.	Boehm's, Blue Bell	209	210	45	12	5	10	7	6	22	2	1	23	279	279	382 50	1520 56	13			
Arthur C. Loucks	Phoenixville, Pa.	Hungarian, Phoenixville	230	119	119	10	3	3	8	3	14	2	2	16	134	134	250 00	1200 00	10			
Arthur C. Loucks	Spring City, R. F. D. No. 3.	East Vincent	136	115	75	10	3	3	8	3	14	2	2	16	134	134	250 00	1200 00	10			
Arthur C. Loucks	Linfield, Pa.	St. Vincent	152	126	77	4	2	9	3	3	6	1	1	19	110	110	174 00	835 00	12			
Arthur C. Loucks	Linfield, Pa.	Linfield	98	77	4	4	2	2	2	4	6	1	1	23	100	100	55 00	1087 00	12			
Arthur C. Loucks	1939 S. 22d St., Philadelphia	St. Andrew's	71	61	49	6	4	9	6	2	11	1	3	16	125	125	30 79	3679 23	9			
Arthur C. Loucks	Eureka, Pa.	Pleasantville	263	230	80	8	4	9	3	7	11	3	1	20	182	182	346 00	1173 00	9			
Arthur C. Loucks	2133 S. 13th St., Philadelphia	Messiah	374	225	125	19	8	3	13	23	11	3	4	38	332	332	101 80	3261 46	13			
Arthur C. Loucks	St. John's, Delaware	St. John's, Delaware	54	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
Arthur C. Loucks	6008 N. 6th St., Oak Lane	Licentiate	49	49	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1			
John J. Dechant			35	3209	7858	1874	276	207	41	245	257	100	37	361	991	9503	9	924590	01	100676	97	303

Total 35, 3209 7858 1874 276 207 41 245 257 100 37 361 991 9503 9 924590 01 100676 97 303
 Rev. A. H. N. Hahnauer transferred to Schuylkill Classis, Eastern Synod, July 17, 1907
 Rev. A. H. N. Hahnauer transferred from Lebanon Classis, Eastern Synod, September 12, 1907.
 Rev. A. H. N. Hahnauer transferred to Schuylkill Classis, Eastern Synod, September 19, 1907.

IV. LANCETTES CLASSED Wm. F. Litchner, Statistical Clerk.

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MINISTERS. POST OFFICE ADDRESS.

NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.

MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.		ADDITIONS.			LOSSES.			SUNDAY-SCHOOLS.		CONTRIBUTIONS.						
			Communicants.	Communed.	Uncommuned.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Re-natal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Deaths, Commun.	Deaths, Uncon.	No. of Scholars.	No. of Officers and Teachers.	Beneficial Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.		
		Missionary to Japan	200	144	130	4	4	4	9	1	1	1	1	20	100	\$426 00	\$1400 00	18	
		Hummelstown	55	46	26	4	4	4	2	1	2	1	1	9	45	64 00	177 00	16	
		Union Deposit																	
		Without Charge																	
		First	514	400	176	10	10	23	31	7	4	3	3	26	220	918 32	5008 11	17	
		St. Peter's, Fisherville, Pa.	70	50	15	4	4	8	3	1	1	1	1	6	25	63 06	175 00	4	
		St. Paul's, Finterline, Pa.	72	46	16	8	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	8	80	66 04	175 00	6	
		St. James, Carsonville, Pa.	40	30	25	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	10	55	10 03	80 00	4	
		St. Jacob's, Petrich, Pa.	42	27	12	14	14	14	1	1	1	1	1	7	50	34 25	60 00	3	
		Messiah, Fisherville, Pa.	32	25	8	7	7	7	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	23 25	30 00	2	
		Star of Bethlehem, Enders																	
		Trinity, Halifax	43	36	26	8	8	8	10	1	1	1	1	10	70	43 50	1200 00	10	
		St. Andrew's	78	50	30	2	2	2	12	2	1	1	1	12	65	108 04	307 75	7	
		Zion's	167	126	30	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	16	110	204 15	813 27	10	
		Prof. in F. and M. College.																	
		Trinity, Mountville	74	71	9	0	0	5	5	1	1	1	1	18	106	100 00	2529 08	12	
		St. Peter's, Lancaster	30	30	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	1	1	7	75	30 00	90 63	12	
		Fourth	200	228	138	21	6	12	40	18	5	3	3	28	317	345 41	1807 88	12	
		St. Paul's	130	120	26	3	3	8	1	1	1	1	1	11	164	181 00	872 49	6	
		Shoon's, Progress, Pa.	73	56	26	3	3	8	1	1	1	1	1	25	100	106 53	545 08	8	
		Wentrich's, Linglestown, Pa.	45	34	20	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	18	75	85 77	296 72	6	
		Shell's, Shellville, Pa.	63	49	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20	100	71 45	175 00	5	
		Prof. in F. and M. College.																	
		Prof. in F. and M. Academy																	
		Railway Mail Agent																	
		Missionary to Japan																	
		Total	9007	6999	1315	300	148	340	306	207	3	71	130	61	48	7810	13 81946 91	47286 71	633
		J. Alvin Reber, Stated Clerk																	
		Zion's	170	143	108	19	10	25	1	7	10	3	1	1	1	61 45	3300 00	4	
		St. Luke's	73	46	24	7	7	10	5	1	1	1	1	1	1	120 00	120 00	4	
		Trinity	119	107	58	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100 00	100 00	4	
		Salem's	102	97	70	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100 00	100 00	4	
		St. John's	100	90	70	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100 00	100 00	4	
		St. John's	100	90	70	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100 00	100 00	4	
		St. John's	100	90	70	10	10	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	100 00	100 00	4	

SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS. J. Alvin Reber, Stated Clerk

1. Zion's Charge }
2. Mt. Alto Charge }
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L. M. Feltwell	Lynch, Pa.	Trinity	100	114	140	15	1	9	3	11	11	1	10	174	100 00	803 00	6
Lynch-Tower City	735 E. 171st St., New York	Without charge	87	66	100	15							10	150	100 00	492 00	6
Jonathan M. Buch		St. Peter's	100	86	45	5	3	10	3	2	2	1	7	50	79 00	325 00	7
George S. Butts		Emanuel's	80	70	43							2	1	50	96 00	465 00	7
Parinos-Augusta	Parinos, Pa.	St. John's	33	22	14	5	1		4	2	2	1	11	65	19 00	198 00	4
		St. Elias	20	22	20	2								23	28 00	98 00	4
		Zion's	25	21	12	4						1	10		20 00	75 00	4
		Jacob's	22	21	20							2			20 00	61 00	5
		St. John's	80	60	33	8						11	55	450	43 00	176 00	30
		St. Jacob's	75	58	48	8						1			51 00	154 00	
Clement D. Kramley	Lock Kill, Pa.	Salem's	175	142	94	16	19		1	4	1				65 00	255 00	
Line Mountain Ch.		St. Michael's	45	37	29	6	8					2			16 00	100 00	
		St. Peter's	45	35	42	10	7			1	1	3			20 00	106 00	
		St. Paul's	150	64	102	12			2	1	2				24 00	103 00	
		Christ	25	19	28	3									0 00	50 00	
Montgomery M. Fryer	Moscow, Pa.	Without charge															
Albert Gonser	Mt. Carmel, Pa.	Grace	283	204	140	47	4	27	8	0	2	1	20	311	161 00	1429 00	9
Robert O'Boyle	Sunbury, Pa.	Sunbury	440	256	327	17		10	14	3	4	1	23	350	455 00	2081 00	12
J. Alvin Reber	Millerburg, Pa.	David's	242	202	107	8	1	3	2	30	3	1	32	188	175 00	583 00	15
St. David's Charge		Zion's	47	35	16	2						1	4	53	38 00	75 00	
Irvin M. Bachman	Catawissa, Pa., R. F. D. 3	St. Paul's	280	219	123	3		27		1	2	1	15	171	188 00	1179 00	14
Numidia Charge		Grace	130	100	48	7	5	14	5	6	1	1	15	160	126 00	719 00	4
Alfred M. Schaffner	Catawissa, Pa.	St. John's	151	114	93	11	2	9	7	4	1	1	15	90	248 00	2024 00	9
		St. Peter's	112	111	50	15	1	10	7		1	1	8	45	180 00	262 00	5
		Himmel's	123	116	68	10		8	2	7	2	1	10	100	64 00	250 00	5
		St. Paul's	60	60	30	5					2	1	12	24	81 00	115 00	5
		David's	50	45	15	8					2	1	7	20	43 00	525 00	5
		Zion's	85	98	41	1		6			3	1	6	30	78 00	190 00	5
		Salem's	150	125								1	20	169	172 00	779 00	25
Calvin P. Wehr	Elizabethville, Pa.	Salem's	72	62	315	27			2	0	4	12	17	83	90 00	1400 00	
Lynch Valley Ch.		St. Peter's	165	137								1	16	80	101 00	687 00	
		Simion's	226	193								1	23	186	208 00	775 00	
A. Gonser (supply)	Hope	Hope	38	39	14	3		6				1	12	45	9 00	85 00	
Elmer G. Lettbech	Millerburg, Pa.	Trinity	107	149	50	5		19	26	1	4	1	15	174	445 00	1290 00	12
		Frieden's	174	128	110	17	1	20	30	1	4	1	16	180	159 00	550 00	6
		Sacramento	76	67	20	17					2	1	10	75	54 00	110 00	3
Roy J. Freeman	Hegins, Pa.	Christ	115	71	75	4	1	11	1	2	1	1	10	100	65 00	185 00	3
Deep Creek Charge		Coleman's	32	24	18	2						1	5	30	15 00	50 00	2
		Klinger's	86	62	30	6						1	6	26	31 00	90 00	3
		Kimmel's	15	9	12	3						1	2	15	22 00	50 00	2
		Ass't to Rev. Schneider															
William C. Elough	Shamokin, Pa.	St. Paul's	115	90	80	4		2			1	1	15	185	105 00	407 00	6
E. Kopenhaver	Ringtown, Pa.	Emanuel's	75	40	45	2			1	1	2	1	15	125	16 00	245 00	6
Ringtown Charge		St. Peter's	60	35	40							1	9	45	8 00	80 00	5
		St. John's	35	30	25	1						1	4	30	7 00	70 00	5
		Emanuel's	163	60				14	2	3	1	1	12	45	35 00	315 00	10
Mainville Ch.	Mainville	St. Matthew's	53	20												125 00	5
		Salem's	15														

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			Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate of Re-natal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.		Deaths, Commun.	Deaths, Uncon.		No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
Vacant.	McAdoo Ch	McAdoo	70.	46	80	8	1	17				1.	2.	10	88.	\$30 00	\$400 00		
S. F. Hartzel	Fredericksburg, Pa	{ St. James'	36.	20	25	5		8					1.	1	58	12 00	75 00		
Thos. M. Kresley, Lic		{ Christ																	
Totals			7455	5745	4594	607	30	452	144	127		63	117	94	53	4943	\$7081 00	\$29715 00	306
Suspended for irregularity and insubordination.			Lic. A. J. Herman has received a call to Mainville and provision made for installation.																
J. Freeman dismissed to East Pennsylvania Classis.			Rev J. N. Blott dismissed to Goshenhoppen Classis, after November 5, 1907.																
Rev. SUSQUEHANNA CLASSIS James M Runkle, Stated Clerk																			
WEST																			
Vt. Wolfe, D.D.	Spring Mills, Pa.	Principal S. M. Academy																	
W. Clouser	Whitedeer, Pa.	Retired																	
D. W. Rieck	Boalsburg, Pa	{ Nazareth	52	42	33	5		2	2	8						\$36 00	\$190 00	4	
W. Rieck Charge }		{ Bethel	47	46	15					7						43 00	120 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. John's	205	170	108	12			27	5					110	158 00	510 00	8	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. Peter's	141	115	85	4	1	14	4					14	100	133 00	210 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. John's	200	202	105	8		5	7	0				23	241	513 00	1500 00	12	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Trinity	157	143	62	7	1	7	0	7				17	95	246 00	577 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Mt. Bethel	00	56	54			3	6	1				13	53	200 00	179 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Salona	81	73	48	1		3	6	6				12	60	91 00	999 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Emanuel	111	96	54	9		4	1	11				13	53	137 00	473 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Eden	43	40	20			2		2				9	23	67 00	94 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Missionary	143	179	56	1			6	4				17	145	321 00	351 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. Peter's	85	83	35	4		1	4	3				13	77	172 00	225 00	6	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Christ's	42	44	19					7				9	41	51 00	107 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Grace	91	81	74	6		1		2				12	59	63 00	173 00	6	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. John's	50	55	40	1				2				15	78	47 00	72 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ Emanuel's	845	314	90	8		17	7	12				22	178	791 00	1376 00	13	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. John's	263	322	60	5		12	6	4				13	150	270 00	355 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. John's	212	199	119	15		10	11	1				18	150	4737 00	410 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. John's	21	21	10					1				10	100	113 00	135 00	4	
A. J. Runkle	Williamsport, Pa.	{ St. John's	21	21	10					1				10	100	113 00	135 00	4	

Elias S. Noll New Berlin Charge }	New Berlin, Pa	161	124	75	15	1	8	2	21	7	1	1	21	100	155 00	555 00	5
Samuel H. Stein Lock Haven	Lock Haven	153	120	40	2	1	6	2	6	4	1	1	11	121	141 00	270 00	5
Ernest E. Weaver Whitewater Charge }	West Milton	88	45	30	1	1	5	1	1	3	1	1	18	70	35 00	122 00	3
F. W. Brown Beaver Springs Ch. }	Beaver Springs, Pa.	33	30	20	2	1	5	1	1	4	1	1	8	20	95 00	70 00	2
W. D. Marburger Sellinsgrove Charge }	Sellinsgrove, Pa.	50	21	15	1	1	10	8	6	5	4	4	32	311	472 00	3348 00	15
George K. Ely Liverpool Charge }	Mt. Pleasant Mills, Pa.	288	264	150	8	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	14	85	250 00	549 00	12
Jas. M. Shellenberger Susquehanna Char. }	Montgomery, Pa.	133	127	85	7	1	2	1	2	4	1	1	16	135	81 00	220 00	5
W. D. Donat Aaronsburg Charge }	Aaronsburg, Pa.	96	85	57	2	1	1	3	3	1	1	1	10	25	124 00	335 00	5
S. Sydney Kohler Valley Ch. }	Mifflinburg, Pa.	53	49	30	1	1	1	4	1	2	1	1	14	43	62 00	538 00	5
		47	43	19	4	1	8	4	1	2	1	1	17	115	93 00	497 00	5
		101	66	43	5	1	1	5	3	6	1	1	12	104	121 00	266 00	6
		128	126	69	11	1	1	11	4	3	1	1	13	101	97 00	202 00	6
		122	118	61	11	1	12	3	3	2	1	1	16	103	98 00	201 00	4
		84	79	62	8	1	15	1	2	3	1	1	13	105	71 00	176 00	4
		76	73	14	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	8	55	67 00	200 00	6
		80	72	50	2	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	10	75	40 00	1700 00	6
		40	35	50	2	1	1	25	3	10	2	1	12	95	125 00	300 00	8
		170	150	140	10	1	1	3	3	2	2	1	8	55	170 00	350 0	8
		155	140	100	1	1	3	5	2	2	2	1	20	120	275 00	1000 00	8
		174	150	91	11	2	4	4	2	3	1	1	4	19	41 00	550 00	2
		39	36	16	4	1	9	1	1	1	1	1	3	23	33 00	120 00	2
		52	50	18	1	1	7	2	1	2	2	1	6	39	36 00	80 00	4
		30	28	10	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	2	13	49 00	140 00	2
		50	45	16	1	1	5	1	1	1	1	1	4	20	24 00	90 00	2
		24	21	11	3	1	7	1	1	4	1	1	8	55	16 00	125 00	2
		24	15	10	2	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	7	80	26 00	135 00	5
		22	18	15	1	1	2	1	5	2	1	1	12	121	36 00	210 00	4
		62	40	35	2	1	1	1	2	2	2	1	16	124	27 00	129 00	4
		45	35	30	1	1	1	1	2	2	4	1	17	106	141 00	267 00	7
		70	45	25	1	1	1	1	2	2	1	1	10	70	312 00	171 00	6
		107	86	31	1	1	1	1	2	1	3	1	14	70	73 00	113 00	4
		70	56	42	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	10	32	62 00	86 00	4
		49	43	23	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	5	18	23 00	84 00	4
		45	42	19	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	12	70	43 00	417 00	5
		24	19	14	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	15	86	43 00	150 00	5
		52	50	30	1	1	1	1	6	1	1	1	12	75	53 00	170 00	4
		54	26	30	1	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
		23	19	9	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
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MINISTERS.		POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.									
			CONGREGATIONS.									
			N Z Snyder, Stated Clerk									
			Without charge									
			Jerusalem, Sellersville									
			St. John's, Richlandtown									
			Christ, Lower Saucon									
			Old Williams Township									
			Christ, Hellertown									
			Shiloh, Northampton Heights									
			St. John's, Lansdale									
			Friedens, Friedensville									
			St. Paul's, Blue Church									
			St. John's, Coopersburg									
			Trinity, Springfield									
			St. Paul's, Applebachville									
			New Jerusalem, Apple's									
			Christ, Tinticum									
			Upper Tinticum									
			St. Luke's, Nockamixon									
			Solomon's, Keller's									
			Christ, Indian Creek									
			Zwingli, Souderton									
			St. Peter's, South Easton									
			Salem, Doylestown									
			Durham									
			St. John's, New Williams									
			Christ, Springtown									
			St. Peter's, Hilltown									
			St. Luke's, Dublin									
			Christ, Trumbullsville									
			Jerusalem, Schlichter's									
			Ridge Valley									
			Zion, Zion Hill									
			St. Stephen's, Parkville									
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			Communicants.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certificate or Renewal of Prof'n.	Dismissed.	Excommunicated.	Erasure of Names.	Deaths, Commun.	Deaths, Uncon.	No. of Schools.	No. of Officers and Teachers.		No. of Scholars.
IX. LEHIGH CLASSIS.																	
A. J. Herman	Maxatawny, Pa.	Retired															
E. J. Fogel, D.D.	Fogelsville, Pa.	Cedar	150	104	5											\$86 00	\$215 00
E. Jordan Charge		Morganland	150	114	5	5										50 00	\$215 00
Wagner	Lancaster, Pa.	Union	576	505	200	18	5									294 00	1915 00
G. Schaeffer, Ph.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	Jordan	446	270	150	14	27									73 00	257 00
C. N. Bachman	Lancaster, Pa.	Retired															
James F. Peters	Lancaster, Pa.	Supt. of Public Instruction															
Neri J. Kurtz	Reading, Pa.	Disabled															
C. Ernest Wagner	Lancaster, Pa.	St. John's, Blatington	707	460	41	2	24	27	10	14	13	1	35	565		413 00	6200 00
J. Ernest Wagner	Lancaster, Pa.	Without charge															
C. H. Brenstinger	Fleetwood, Pa.	Prof. in F and M. College	285	150	59	2	40	8	3								
M. Fleetwood Charge		St. Paul's, Fleetwood	78	63	27												
W. Richards, D.D.	Lancaster, Pa.	St. Paul's, Merztown	295	268	185												
Geo. W. Knappenberger	Kutztown, Pa.	St. Paul's, Trexertown	178	163	80												
W. W. Knappenberger	Niantic, Conn.	Maldenbrook Union															
J. B. Smith	Kutztown, Pa.	Prof. in Theological Seminary															
Geo. Masatawny Charge		Prof. in Keystone S. N. S.															
Thomas N. Reber	Sittler, Pa.	Pastor Congregational church	457	321	175	16	1	24	12	2						207 00	1200 00
Lehigh Charge		St. Paul's, Kutztown	320	290	160	8	22	7	7							213 00	550 00
Kutztown Charge		Christ, DeLong's	84	82	35	3	10	3								80 00	175 00
Lehigh Charge		St. Peter's, Tipton	262	190	135	9	18									119 00	410 00
Lehigh Charge		Zion's	275	211	125	9										95 00	135 00
Lehigh Charge		Zion's	240	196	95	15										100 00	550 00
Lehigh Charge		Benjamin's	150	109	55	6										40 00	145 00
Lehigh Charge		St. Peter's	125	93	70	2										76 00	125 00
Lehigh Charge		St. John's	105	77	45	0										37 00	75 00
Lehigh Charge		Pennsylvania	380	280	134	9	16	5								152 00	1050 00
Lehigh Charge		St. John's	124	95	53	8	9									39 00	493 00
Lehigh Charge		St. Peter's	155	95	63	6	5	2								117 00	743 00
Lehigh Charge		Grace, South Allentown	815	490	265	23	14	17								1630 00	2305 00
Lehigh Charge		Zion's, Lehigh															
Lehigh Charge		St. John's	425	225	120	25	1	21								130 00	500 00
Lehigh Charge		St. Peter's, Furness	190	150	90	4	11	4								120 00	300 00
Lehigh Charge		New Jerusalem															
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Planned to Reading Class, July 6, 1907.
Total of Charge.

+ Dismissed to Philadelphia Cinemas, October 12, 1907.
The Sunday-School totals are taken from the Sunday-School reports.

MINISTERS. POST OFFICE ADDRESS. NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.

W D Stoyer, Stated Clerk

X. SCHUYLKILL CLASSIS	Orwigsburg	Without charge	267	224	160	47	2	36	15	10	12	7	10	1	20	275	6253 00	\$1891 00	12
Henry Letsee	Tamaqua	Trinity															011 00	2100 00	13
Henry Fisher	Schuylkill Haven	Without charge	459	376	187	20	2	19	16	2	16	7	5	1	37	369	00 00	1703 00	8
John J. Fisher	Schuylkill Haven	St. John's	300	200	175	27	2	24	2	6	3	6	1	1	40	313	130 00	1200 00	10
William H. Robinson	Cressona	St. Mark's	147	112	163	18	2	13	2	2					20	206	359 00	3217 00	9
Oliver Barlow	Frackville	St. Peter's	303	244	145	14	1	19	6	6					25	322	85 00	235 00	3
C. E. J. Hartman	Orwigsburg	St. John's, Orwigsburg	85	79	37	2	1	11	3	1					7	45	402 00	1776 00	20
Thos. W. Yearick	Shenandoah	Christ's, McKeanburg	303	224	163	18		17	5	10					28	230	538 00	2614 00	18
George A. Yearick	Pottsville	Trinity	015	454	340	27	15	11	6						40	467	230 00	1430 00	11
Zwingli A. Yearick	Tamaqua	St. John's, Tamaqua	325	210	240	22	23	20	1	6					28	342	58 00	251 00	4
Vacant Lobach	Tamaqua	Zion's, Tamaqua	74	54	30	1	4								14	60	621 00	4063 00	12
Albert Keschner	Mahanoy City	St. Paul's	631	486	302	33	32	9	11	4					41	460	49 00	240 00	5
J. G. Gurek	Tremont	Friedens	127	68	98	10		12	11	4					9	75	104 00	440 00	9
Titus C. Gurek	Tremont	St. Peter's, Tremont	236	161	136	11	1								20	223	24 00	116 00	5
W. T. Buchanan	Minersville	Salem, Danaldson	72	26	81	7	1								17	74	32 00	326 00	6
W. T. D. Althouse	Pinegrove	St. John's, Newtown	68	40	34	4									7	26	75 00	830 00	10
Howard D. Althouse	Pinegrove	Emanuel's	163	110	135	6	7	2	2						22	150	10 00	670 00	4
Frederick D. Althouse	Pottsville	St. Peter's, Pinegrove	96	80	91	19		2	3						13	145	19 00	270 00	4
F. Stoyer	Schuylkill Haven	Salem's, Hetzel's	153	110	125	13	1	6							21	130	6 00	60 00	2
A. D. Stoyer	Friedensburg	St. Paul's, Cherryville	20	14	28	14									10	80	30 00	1200 00	13
W. D. Stoyer	Friedensburg	First Reformed	313	201	245	26		6	8						24	210	45 00	780 00	6
Thomas Stoyer	Auburn	St. John's, St. Clair	115	102	100	7	1	4	7	3					15	150	135 00	3400 00	15
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	First Reformed	425	234	238	19	2	15	5	3					28	346	151 00	288 00	8
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	St. Paul's	232	154	9			22							7	50	121 00	302 00	4
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	St. John's	182	107											12	73	71 00	237 00	4
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	St. Mark's	64	46											5	70	65 00	947 00	7
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	St. John's, Auburn	89	60	64	12	1	15							11	112	85 00	1115 00	8
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	Zion's, W. Brunswick	135	115	95	7	2	17	2	2					17	60	80 00	406 00	6
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	St. John's, Port Clinton	40	20	96	2	2	8	2	2					17	60	14 00	434 00	6
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	Faith, Landingville	32	20	21	2	1	6							17	60	94 00	200 00	6
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	Christ's	171	122	66										17	60	7 00	40 00	6
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	St. Peter's	33	20	10										17	60	7 00	40 00	6
J. A. Stoyer	Auburn	Zion's	33	20	10										17	60	7 00	40 00	6

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XI. WYOMING CLASSIS C. H. Herbst, Stated Clerk.

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MINISTERS.	POST OFFICE ADDRESS.	NAMES OF CHARGES OR CONGREGATIONS.	MEMBERS.			ADDITIONS.			LOSSES.	SUNDAY- SCHOOLS		CONTRIBUTIONS.		Minutes Wanted.				
			Communicants.	Confirmed.	Unconfirmed.	Infant Baptisms.	Adult Baptisms.	Confirmed or Re- newal of Prof'n.		Dismissed.	Transfer of Names.	Deaths, Commun.	No. of Schools.		No. of Officers and Teachers.	No. of Scholars.	Beneficent Purposes.	Congregational Purposes.
J. B. Kaloria	Plymouth, Pa.	First Reformed	148	91	112	8		8	6	1	1	1	34	132	64 00	679 00	12	
J. Frank Bucher		Missionary in China																
J. W. Walek	923 Gibson St., Scranton, Pa	Calvary	119	95		8	1	5	2	12	2	1	12	149	116 03	989 00	10	
C. A. A. Hiner	Fayette, N. Y.	Christ's	81	34	31	1				3	3	1	10	45	64 00	481 00	20	
Samuel A. DeLong	Watson town, Pa.	Watson town	150	100					10	2	2	1	23	150	46 00	900 00	9	
Preston A. DeLong		McEwensville	153	105	14	8	1					1	11	100		900 00	8	
		Emanuel's	129	79	57	12			4	2	2	1	10	69	9 00	245 00	6	
		St. Peter's	158	93	67	4			1	2	1	1	15	120	50 00	544 00	6	
		Mt. Zion	81	47	38	2						1	11	93	50 00	175 00	4	
		Wapwallopen	36	20	29	1						1	10	85	16 00	129 00	4	
		St. Mark's	50	45	53	5			6			1	12	152	22 00	175 00	4	
		Mt. Zion	34	23	45	4						1	8	68		55 00	4	
Vacant		Totals	7280	5325	3805	474	42	378	282	180	2	60	1027	8240	710	85826 00	940478 00	349

Dismissed to Zion's Classis, Potomac Synod.

XIV. READING CLASSIS		Samuel R. Bridenbaugh, Stated Clerk	
Bausman, D. D.	1222 N. 6th St., Reading, Pa.	St. Paul's	14
Henry Y. Stoner	Reading, Pa.		
Henry K. Binkley	1024 N. 12th St., Reading, Pa.		
H. R. Bridenbaugh, D. D.	228 S. 6th St., Reading, Pa.	Second	15
John Ph. Stein, D. D.	Reading, Pa.	St. Thomas	8
Henry K. Miller	Japan	Missionary to Japan	
George W. Gerhard	Hamburg, Pa.	First Reformed	11
L. LeFevre	Reading, Pa.	Retired	
D. W. Miller, D. D.	Philadelphia, Pa.	General Synod S. S. Board	
James R. Brown	Baterly, Pa.	Schwarzwald	
	1818 Perkiomen Av., Read.	Spies	
L. Herbeln		Trinity, Mt. Penn	
		Bern	
		Trinity, Leesport	
		St. John's	
		Shoenakersville	
		Moharville	
P. E. Schaeffer	West Leesport, Pa.		

101 W. Clay St., Reading, Pa.	St. Mark's	1136	713	530	33	2	15	25	75	77	16	31	18	8	1	117	1251	570 00	570 00	15	
611 Walnut St., Reading, Pa.	Assistant St. Paul's	190	147	87	12	2	15	25	75	77	16	31	18	8	1	117	1251	570 00	570 00	15	
R. F. D. No. 1, Reading, Pa.		194	160	101	13	7	6	4	4	4	4	28	7	5	1	93	945	1635 00	6650 00	15	
1431 Parklomen Av., Reading, Pa.	St. Andrew's	1138	843	743	59	8	53	53	33	16	10	10	2	1	1	47	336	171 00	1573 00	8	
425 N. 5th St., Reading, Pa.	Faith	1265	1000	532	26	3	50	50	33	10	10	9	21	14	1	50	331	129 00	1322 00	8	
765 N. 11th St., Reading, Pa.	St. James	637	440	439	37	1	31	31	32	4	4	23	16	6	1	87	657	590 00	2513 00	14	
611 Washington St., Reading	St. Stephen's	97	92	67	3	5	12	5	12	4	4	23	16	6	1	24	141	430 80	823 75	9	
911 Chestnut St., Reading	First Reformed	130	200	98	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	23	16	6	1	24	141	430 80	823 75	9	
1749 Centre Ave., Reading	St. John's	130	200	98	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	23	16	6	1	24	141	430 80	823 75	9	
1740 Centre Ave., Reading	Oliver	130	200	98	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	23	16	6	1	24	141	430 80	823 75	9	
210 Windsor St., Reading	Epler's	130	200	98	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	23	16	6	1	24	141	430 80	823 75	9	
2262 Chestnut St., Philadel'a	Gen. Supt. Board Home Mis.	130	200	98	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	23	16	6	1	24	141	430 80	823 75	9	
931 N. 4th St., Reading		526	406	120	8	3	25	25	57	9	3	3	4	1	1	64	556	731 00	3055 90	14	
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	Hinnerabitz	130	110	60	14	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	2	1	4	20	55 65	130 00	8	
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	Totals																				

Rev. Thomas M. Yundt died. Rev. Lee M. Erdman, Asst. in St. Thomas. Rev. H. J. Leinbach dismissed to Lebanon Glamsa.

TOTAL STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF EASTERN SYNOD FOR THE YEAR A. D. 1907.

CLASSES.	Licensates.		Ministres.		Members.		Additions.				Losses.				Sunday Sch'ls.		Contributions.		Minutes of Synod Wanted.	
	Classes.	Ministres.	Communi- cants.	Uncon- muni- cated.	Uncon- muni- cated.	Communi- cants.	Adult Baptisms.	Infant Baptisms.	Confirmed.	Certif. of Re- p't.	Dismissed.	Excom- muni- cated.	Resurre of Names.	Deaths, Un- confirmed.	Deaths, Un- confirmed.	Number of Officers and Teachers.	Number of Scholars.	Beneficent Purposes.	Con- grega- tional Purposes.	
East Pennsylvania	2	37	61	13457	10324	6861	743	29	412	540	200	233	233	106	71	1250	10006	\$14,554	\$106,511	490
Lebanon	1	24	47	10192	8200	4759	514	45	424	159	185	143	210	69	50	1026	7095	10,067	46,168	259
Philadelphia	4	46	35	9209	7588	1874	276	125	307	41	245	307	109	37	36	981	9522	24,590	108,977	392
Lancaster	4	47	53	9067	6990	3215	360	149	350	380	207	73	130	61	48	951	7810	11,947	78,356	422
East Susquehanna	1	22	62	6108	5235	2795	244	23	250	242	191	73	120	44	58	744	3225	8,787	32,125	347
East Susquehanna	1	19	54	7455	5742	4594	607	30	452	144	127	63	117	94	53	659	4043	7,061	29,715	306
West	23	40	40	9380	7413	4275	305	78	308	193	128	108	173	54	50	857	7350	10,563	34,125	361
Tobacco	15	37	27	7826	6113	4262	338	25	274	122	112	54	161	63	29	558	4700	10,502	27,144	225
Goshen	4	43	63	19670	15702	10285	960	21	782	507	199	272	348	141	87	1616	14330	19,519	82,818	547
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